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SUBJECT: Section 12c-Consolidation Grant Quarterly Report, Michigan Network Operations

Center (MiNOC), April 1-June 30, 2025

Recipient Entity Name and Wexford-Missaukee ISD

Address: Cadillac MI 49601

District/Recipient Code: 83000

Grant Code:

Grant Metrics

Financial	Impact	Collaboration
\$750,000 phone system	30,994 Students 32 School Districts 5 ISDs	MAISA MiCloud VoIP ETA Board
15.4% ROI		

PROGRESS:

The MiNOC initiative seeks to consolidate existing Network Operations Center service to increase effectiveness and equitable network access for Five Michigan ISDs and 27 school districts. This initiative aims to enhance network reliability, improve resource utilization, and reduce operational costs across participating districts. Here is our timeline to date.







April 2025:

- Coordinated and facilitated MiNOC meeting with participating members network and technology leadership staff
- Defined job titles for new team members
- Began reviewing each team's network documentation and initiated work on creating unified documentation
- Began reviewing the password management and remote support tools used by each team and initiated the development of a standardized solution
- Agreed upon a common helpdesk solution and a timeline for implementation
- Explored potential summer projects suitable for the new team to undertake
- Purchased a new firewall for Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, and Roscommon ISD (COOR ISD)

May 2025:

- Coordinated and facilitated MiNOC meeting with participating members network and technology leadership staff
- Approved job descriptions titles were approved by the Wexford Missaukee ISD school board
- Formalized the expanded Educational Technology Associations service with both Clare Gladwin RESD and Wexford Missaukee ISD (fiscal agent for the ETA) with an approved and signed agreement.
- Implemented a common password management system
- Implemented a common helpdesk system
- Implemented a common remote support tool
- Purchased new phone system for Clare Gladwin RESD, Beaverton Schools, Clare Public Schools, Farwell Area Schools, Gladwin Community Schools, and Harrison Community Schools

June 2025:

- Coordinated and facilitated MiNOC meeting with participating members network and technology leadership staff
- All new employees were approved by the Wexford-Missaukee ISD School Board to start officially on July 1, 2025
- Started the implementation of the new phone system

NEXT QUARTER FOCUS:

- On-board all new employees
- Install the new phone system
- Install the new firewall
- ♦ Move a few servers to Amazon Web Services with assistance from MiCloud
- Evaluate network needs of districts
- Crosstrain employees on district's networks
- Hire a Systems Engineer I
- MAEDS Fall Conference