



# Livonia Public Schools

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To: Andrea Oquist, Superintendent  
From: Jennifer Taiariol, Director of Student Services  
**Subject: Livonia Transition Program Cooperative Agreements**

The Livonia Transition Program (LTP) is a vocational program that services students with an Individualized Education Plan on a certificate of completion who are 18-26 years of age. Our program is located on four main sites: the campus of Schoolcraft College, Embassy Suites, Ward Church and St. Mary's Hospital. Students who attend classes for half of their day at Schoolcraft College also have independent job sites throughout campus and at other locations. Some of our local business partners include Meijer, Goodwill Industries, Hampton Inn Hotel, Great Start Readiness Program, Mercy Elite, Jackson Early Childhood Center, and more.

Students who attend classes at Embassy Suites, Ward Church, and St. Mary's Hospital spend their entire day immersed in their job location where they take classes and learn new job skills in an authentic work site. LTP offers a variety of classes geared toward independent living, financial literacy, employability skills, and computers for half of our students' day.

LTP's employment rate for students is between 69-84%. So far, during the 2020-2021 school year, nine students have exited our program due to employment. In addition to the benefit to our students earning competitive employment, our local business community gains access to a new, diverse talent pool.

LTP services Livonia Public Schools' residents and surrounding districts through cooperative agreements. We currently have cooperative agreements with Northville (5), Redford Union (9), Garden City (8), South Redford (6), Huron (1), Van Buren (1) and will be adding Crestwood (1) for the 2021-2022 school year. Livonia Public Schools receives the state aid for these students and then charges each local district a flat amount of \$8,000/student.

I am prepared to present this topic at the Committee of the Whole meeting on March 15, 2021.