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Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools (MANS) Responds to Michigan Lawsuit against the US Department of Education

LANSING – The Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools (MANS) Executive Director Brian Broderick provided the following comment today, after Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Attorney General Nessel, and state Superintendent Rice announced their plan to file suit against the United States Department of Education over an Interim Final Rule addressing CARES Act funding:

“The announcement made today by Governor Whitmer, Attorney General Nessel and State Superintendent Rice was disappointing. The pandemic has impacted all students and their schools in Michigan. Congress intended CARES Act funding to serve all students, in both public and nonpublic schools alike.

For the State Superintendent of Schools and Attorney General to say funds are being ‘siphoned’ from public schools to nonpublic schools that ‘already have privileges and resources’ is simplistic, misleading and absurd.

Public and nonpublic schools both serve the common good of our state, and pitting one against the other is most unfortunate. Our state leaders should be above this level of hypocrisy.”

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