## Policy for handling ENDORSEMENT requests from Miller College students who want to earn the ZS

The State of Michigan has allowed that WMU may be the recommending institution providing:

- 1. ECE faculty has compared non-WMU Early Childhood courses to the ECE core courses (below) to determine equivalency.
- 2. Program must total a minimum of 26 hours.
- 3. A minimum of nine (9) Early Childhood Education credits shall be taken at WMU for this endorsement. This policy enables the WMU Early Childhood faculty to feel confident that the student has been adequately prepared to earn the ZS endorsement from the State of Michigan.
- 4. The student must have experiences at least 6 weeks (approximately 100 clock hours) in duration in at least 2 of the following 3 levels: Infants Toddlers, Preschoolers, Kindergarten 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 3
- 5. This endorsement may only be added upon application to an *active Michigan elementary certificate* upon passing the Early Childhood General and Special Education MTTC exam\*106.
- 6. Applicants have five years from program completion AND five years from passing MTTC to add this endorsement to their active Elementary teaching certificate using the MOECS system at MDE.

Western Michigan University		Miller College	Kellogg CC	
ED 2500 Human Dev: Applications in Ed	3 SH	ECE 210 Child Growth & Development	ECE 210	3 SH
ED 3090 Early Childhood Assessment	3 SH	ECE 204 Appropriate Assessment w/ Young Children	ECE 214	3 SH
ED 3500 Young Child-Fam & Society	3 SH	Required at WMU		3 SH
ED 3690 Early Child Class Org & Mgmt	3 SH	ECE 215 Positive Child Guidance	ECE 215	3 SH
FCS/ED 5750 Administration of child Development Centers	3 SH	ECE 203 Child Care Administration	ECE 240	3 SH
ED 4700 Intern Teaching: Early Child	5 SH	Required at WMU		5 SH
ED 4090 Seminar in Early Child Ed	1 SH	Required at WMU		1 SH
Elective(s) from Miller or KCC to total 26 hours		ECE 205 Anti-Bias Curric in ECE Settings or ECE 211 Infant & Toddler Care or ECE 212 Early Childhood Environments or ECE 221 Early Childhood Internship I	ECE 218 or ECE 232 or ECE 233 or ECE 221	