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Local MI Works Education Program Expanding Around The State

Andrew Green Reporting

Educators from around Michigan will be in Benton Harbor in the coming days to study a Michigan Works program designed to help at risk high school students graduate and go on to college. JAG -- or, Jobs for America's Graduates -- is offered in Benton Harbor, Coloma, Cassopolis, Covert, and Niles...and MI Works spokesperson Megan McCausland tells us that it's all about focusing extra attention on the kids who might otherwise fall through the cracks:

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Educators from Flint, Escanaba, and Muskegon will be in town this week to take part in training sessions with Michigan Works JAG instructors so that they might set up such programs back in their own communities. McCausland says it's a testament to the success of the local JAG program that others around Michigan would be looking to it as a model.

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Recent Michigan Works statistics show a 97 percent retention rate among JAG students in the tri-county area. Those teachers from out of town will participate in a two day intensive training session to learn to implement JAG in their own communities.

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