



School Board Memo

Week of December 18, 2023 – Happy Holidays

Holiday Closure

WSBA would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season filled with time for family and friends. The office will be closed from December 21, 2023 through January 2, 2024.

Wyoming State Board of Education Meeting

The Wyoming State Board of Career and Technical Education (SBCTE) and Wyoming State Board of Education (SBE) will meet virtually on December 21, 2023. The board will initially convene at 10 a.m. as the SBCTE. Having received recommended revisions to the Wyoming Perkins V State Plan from the Superintendent of Public Instruction's CTE Subcabinet at its November meeting, the SBCTE will take action to release the proposed plan for 30 days of formal public comment. Following adjournment of the SBCTE meeting, the board will reconvene as the SBE to take action on opening rule promulgation for Chapter 10 Rules on Standards and Chapter 1 Rules on Certificates of Completion. Attendees may join the meeting virtually by registering in advance [here](#). After registering, participants will receive an email with instructions on how to join the meeting.

Wyoming Insight

The November 2023 issue of the [Wyoming Insight](#) is available at the State of Wyoming's Economic Analysis [website](#). The Wyoming Insight serves as an energy index and business indicators report for the state.

Fulbright Teacher Exchange Opportunities

Applications are now open for Fulbright Teacher Exchanges taking place in 2024-2025! Apply by February 19, 2024 for Fulbright Teacher Exchanges taking place in 2024-2025! Head to this [website](#) to learn more about the Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms Program, the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Research Program, and the Fulbright Leaders for Global Schools Program and to determine which might be the best fit for your interests and qualifications.

Care Coordination

The Wyoming Department of Education is now offering Care Coordination, a free statewide service connecting Wyoming students, families, and school district staff with mental health care providers both locally and nationally. This resource will create the opportunity for improved mental wellbeing while keeping Wyoming parents in charge. There are currently 24 school districts participating in the Care Coordination program statewide. The WDE has contracted with Care Solace, a trusted national provider to deliver these mental health care coordination services. For more information about Care Coordination, visit <https://edu.wyoming.gov/for-district-leadership/health-safety/>.

Upcoming Events

2024 Winter Board Development Workshops - January 13, 2024 - [Riverton Holiday Inn](#) and January 20, 2024 - [Casper Hilton Garden Inn](#)

The theme for this year's January workshop is ***Telling Your Story Through Communication and Advocacy***, and the intent is to help boards capitalize on the great things going on in their school districts and effectively inform their communities as well as Wyoming legislators about local priorities and accomplishments. This will be a participatory workshop-style event, so we ask that attendees bring their laptop, tablet or smartphone, if possible.

Board members, superintendents, WSBA Advocacy Liaisons and other administrators can make a difference in the political process. This is the opportunity to hear and give input on the latest legislative issues likely to have an impact on your school districts.

2024 Legislative Forum and Reception - February 18-19, 2024 - [Cheyenne Little America Conference Center](#). A block of sleeping rooms available at Little America. Please click [here](#) to make a reservation.

Diligent Elevate 2024

Diligent Elevate, formerly Modern Governance Summit, is a one-of-a-kind opportunity for Diligent users to gain insights into GRC trends, network with peers and industry leaders, and receive hands-on training to uplevel your use of your Diligent tools. From governance insights to audit strategies, Elevate is the ultimate GRC event of the year. The event will be held in Houston, Texas on September 9-11, 2024. Early bird pricing is available for a limited time. Please click [here](#) to register.

Legislative Meetings

Joint Appropriations Committee: [Meeting Notice and Agenda](#), December 18-20, 2023

Joint Appropriations Committee: [Meeting Notice and Agenda](#), January 08-12, 2024

Joint Appropriations Committee: [Meeting Notice and Agenda](#), January 15-19, 2024

Management Council: [Meeting Notice and Agenda](#), December 21, 2023



The 2024 Annual Conference for COSSBA will be held February 22-25, 2024 in Dallas Texas. Early bird registration is open until December 4, 2023. General registration will be open after December 4, 2023. Please click [here](#) for more information.

News Articles

Does your district have news of statewide interest? If so, please email your news articles to wsba@wsba-wy.org. The articles will be included in the next weekly WSBA Memo.

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