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Superintendent Hill Announced School Improvement Grant Awardees

Cheyenne- Wyoming Superintendent of Public Instruction Cindy Hill announced the five districts that have been approved for federal School Improvement Grants (SIG).

A total of \$3,580,001 in funds will be provided to the five districts over three years. The U.S. Department of Education recently allocated Wyoming this money to be distributed as part of the federal Title I program which provides money to districts and schools with high numbers or high percentages of low-income children.

Only districts with eligible schools could apply for the SIG funding. The eligible schools were identified as requiring remediation using a variety of factors including: reading and math scores, Adequate Yearly Progress status as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind Act, and graduation rates for secondary schools. The schools were selected through methodology aligned to federal guidelines.

The districts that have been selected to receive assistance are:

School District	Grant Amount
Laramie County School District #2	\$668,997
Big Horn County School District #3	\$865,004
Lincoln County School District #1	\$399,000
Fremont County School District #38	\$1,252,640
Teton County School District #1	\$394,410

“SIG funds are designed by the United States Department of Education to assist low-performing schools facing special challenges. Each of these schools has developed a plan to improve the educational environment with our shared goal of growing Wyoming children,” said Superintendent Cindy Hill.

All of the districts that were selected for funding have chosen the Transformation Model for the identified and eligible schools in their district. The Transformation Model requires the implementation of each of the following strategies: (1) replace the principal and take steps to

increase teacher and school leader effectiveness; (2) institute comprehensive instructional reforms; (3) increase learning time and create community-oriented schools; and (4) provide operational flexibility and sustained support.

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