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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2008 - 050

**TO:** School District Superintendents

**FROM:** Susan Shipley, Education Consultant  
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**DATE:** April 4, 2008 

**SUBJECT:** Wyoming Special Education Leadership Symposium

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### TIME SENSITIVE INFORMATION TO SHARE

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Special Education Leadership Symposium will be held in Lander from July 28 – August 1, 2008. Registrations are now being accepted.

Topics to be addressed include: 504 Plans; accessing the general curriculum; top 10 special education hot topics in WY; collaboration across agencies; out of district placements; increasing proficiency in Math and Science for students with disabilities; assistive technology; best practices in hearing screening; partnering with parents; secondary transition planning and services; writing curriculum-based IEPs; school-wide supports for students with behavior concerns; updates on special education forms; providing quality leadership; assessing students on the Autism spectrum; successful teaching strategies for students with Autism; and accommodations.

Attached you will find the registration packet and a draft of the agenda. Recommended attendees include superintendents, special education directors, principals, special education teachers, general education teachers, related service providers, Para educators, case managers, school psychologists, school counselors, educational diagnosticians or parents. Register early or as a team to receive a discount on the registration fee. Attending district superintendents who register early and attend will not be required to pay the registration fee.

Please contact Susan Shipley with any questions at (307)777-6231 or [sshipl@educ.state.wy.us](mailto:sshipl@educ.state.wy.us)

Attachments

**2008 WYOMING  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
LEADERSHIP  
SYMPOSIUM**

**JULY 28 - AUGUST 01  
LANDER, WY**



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# MONDAY - JULY 28, 2008

# TUESDAY - JULY 29, 2008

TIME	War Bonnet	Gannett	Fremont	Wind River
7:45 to 8:45	Registration in War Bonnet			
8:45 to 9:00	Registration, credits, snacks	← WELCOME →		
9:00 to 10:30		← <i>Beyond Classification</i> LeDerick Horne →		
10:30 to 10:45		← BREAK →		
10:45 to 12:15		← <i>504 Plans</i> Jose Martin →		
12:15 to 1:30		← LUNCH →		
1:30 to 3:00		← <i>Accessing the General Curriculum</i> Diane Browder →		
3:00 to 3:15		← BREAK →		
3:15 to 4:45		← <i>Discipline Discussion Panel</i> Jose Martin Lucille Eber      Lenore Knudtson Kim Anderson      Teresa Stabb Tom Shorter J.P. Denning		

TIME	War Bonnet	Gannett	Fremont	Wind River	Pronghorn
8:30 To 10:00	Registration, credits, snacks	<i>504 Plans</i> Jose Martin	<i>Accessing Math Curriculum</i> Diane Browder	<i>Special Education "Law Hot Topics"</i> Ed Hawkinson Tom Shorter	<i>Successful Transition Part 1</i> Beth Steenwyk
10:00 to 10:15		← BREAK →			
10:15 to 11:45		<i>Behavior Supports</i> Lucille Eber	<i>Accessing Math Curriculum</i> Diane Browder	<i>Special Education "Law Hot Topics"</i> Ed Hawkinson Tom Shorter	<i>Successful Transition Part 2</i> Beth Steenwyk
11:45 to 12:45		← LUNCH →			
12:45 TO 2:15		<i>Behavior Supports</i> Lucille Eber	<i>Accessing Science Curriculum</i> Diane Browder Vicki Knight	<i>Partnering with Parents</i> John Copenhaver	<i>Successful Transition Part 1</i> Beth Steenwyk
2:15 TO 2:30		← BREAK →			
2:30 TO 4:00		<i>Behavior Supports</i> Lucille Eber	<i>Accessing Science Curriculum</i> Diane Browder Vicki Knight		<i>Successful Transition Part 2</i> Beth Steenwyk

**BBQ SOCIAL - CWC FIELD STATION**

# WEDNESDAY - JULY 30, 2008

TIME	War Bonnet	Gannett	Fremont	Wind River	Pronghorn
8:30 To 10:00		<i>Institutions &amp; Agency Collaboration</i> Dan Wilde	<i>Curriculum Based IEP's</i> Marla Holbrook	<i>Avoiding Due Process Hearings</i> Lenore Knudtson	<i>Successful Transition Part 1</i> Beth Steenwyk
10:00 to 10:15	Registration, credits, snacks	← BREAK →			
10:15 to 11:45		TBD	<i>Curriculum Based IEP's</i> Marla Holbrook	<i>Avoiding Due Process Hearings</i> Lenore Knudtson	<i>Successful Transition Part 2</i> Beth Steenwyk
11:45 TO 12:45		← LUNCH →			
12:45 TO 2:15			<i>Get Your Education On</i> Roger Crawford		
2:15 TO 2:30		← BREAK →			
2:30 TO 4:00			<i>Education Leadership</i> Steve Kukic		

# THURSDAY - JULY 31, 2008

TIME	War Bonnet	Gannett	Fremont	Wind River	Pronghorn	
8:00 To 9:00		← Changes on Forms →			X	
9:00 to 9:15	Registration, credits, snacks	← BREAK →				
9:15 to 11:45			<i>Reaching the Forgotten Child</i> Dr. Robert Barr			
11:45 TO 1:00		← LUNCH →				
1:00 TO 2:30		<i>Assessing Students on the Autism Spectrum Part I</i> Joan Hawkinson Susan Stokes	<i>Secondary Curriculum Based IEPs</i> Marla Holbrook	<i>Integrated Postschool Vocational Functioning of Workers with Significant Disabilities</i> Lou Brown	<i>Accommodations: Assessments, Classrooms &amp; Bodies of Evidence</i> Charlene Turner	
2:30 TO 2:45		← BREAK →				
2:45 TO 4:15		<i>Assessing Students on the Autism Spectrum Part II</i> Joan Hawkinson Susan Stokes	<i>Secondary Curriculum Based IEPs</i> Marla Holbrook	<i>Integrated Postschool Vocational Functioning of Workers with Significant Disabilities</i> Lou Brown	TBD	

## 2008 WYOMING SPECIAL EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

# FRIDAY - AUGUST 01, 2008

TIME	War Bonnet	Gannett	Fremont	Wind River	Pronghorn	
8:15 To 9:45	<b>Registration, credits, snacks</b>	<i>Autism: Successful Teaching Strategies</i> <b>Joan Hawkinson Susan Stokes</b>	<i>NIMAS</i> <b>Kathy McWhorter</b>	<i>Accommodations: Assessments, Classrooms &amp; Bodies of Evidence</i> <b>Charlene Turner</b>	<i>Transition Discussion Panel</i>	
9:45 to 10:00		<b>BREAK</b>				
10:00 to 11:30		<i>Autism: Successful Teaching Strategies</i> <b>Joan Hawkinson Susan Stokes</b>	<i>Assistive Technology: Assessment through Delivery</i> <b>Barb Locke</b>	<b>TBD</b>		<i>Transition Discussion Panel</i>
11:30 TO 12:30		<b>LUNCH</b>				
12:30 TO 2:00		<b>Dr. Robert Barr</b>			X	

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