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To: School District Superintendents

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Date: April 17, 2009

Subject: Development of RFP for State Wide Data Analytic Tool

IMPORTANT AND TIME SENSITIVE INFORMATION

This memorandum is a follow-up to the Memorandum 2009-068 entitled Web-based Resource Tool Transition Update released on Friday, April 17, 2009, which addressed the replacement for INFORM.

After receiving feedback and several reviews, the WDE will develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a new data analytic tool for reporting PAWS assessment test results to school districts. The new tool is intended to be implemented at the start of the 2010-2011 school year. During the interim year, school year 2009-2010, school districts will continue to have access through a WDE secure website to their student level test results as they have over the last few years. In addition, a "traffic signal" report will be added to help meet the needs of educators. This interim period will allow school districts to receive and export the data they need for student success and achievement. The point of access for this information will be provided through the Wyoming Education Fusion portal. This interim year will allow time for WDE and school districts to develop a comprehensive RFP and select a quality data analytic tool that meets the needs of Wyoming school districts.

Mosaic-A Consortium of Wyoming Educators has received pricing from Edgate for INFORM should any school district wish to purchase it during the interim year. Please contact Cassie Lallak, Project Manager, at 307-777-5463 or clalla@educ.state.wy.us for additional information.

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To facilitate the development of the RFP and WDE's attempt to gather requirements from school districts, the following dates and times have been set up via the WEN for open discussion:

- April 27 from 7:00am – 8:00am
- April 27 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm
- April 28 from 7:00am – 8:00am
- April 28 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm
- April 29 from 7:00am – 8:00am
- April 29 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm

These meetings will be facilitated by Cassie Lallak. Please do not hesitate to contact her with any questions or concerns.

All sessions will have the same agenda. We hope that one of the dates and times will be convenient for your school district personnel. However, if you are unable to attend one of the sessions please contact Cassie to receive a questionnaire. We hope that you take time to participate in one of the sessions and provide us with your valuable feedback.

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CC: School District Principals
School District Technology Coordinators
School District Curriculum Coordinators