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MEMORANDUM NO. 2011 - 166

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Julie Magee, Standards Team Supervisor

DATE: December 23, 2011

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARINGS, CHAPTER 31 RULES: 2011 REVISED WYOMING CONTENT AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR HEALTH, LANGUAGE ARTS, AND MATHEMATICS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE SHARE IMMEDIATELY

Per state statute (W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iii)), the Wyoming Content and Performance Standards are revised every five (5) years and are approved by the State Board of Education. For 2011, the following content areas have been revised: Health, Language Arts, and Mathematics. The 2011 Revised Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Language Arts and Mathematics include the Common Core State Standards. These revisions were approved by the State Board of Education on September 23, 2011.

As referenced in the Press Release that went out on December 7, 2011, both the Chapter 31 Rules and the 2011 Revised Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Health, Language Arts, and Mathematics are currently posted on the WDE website:

http://edu.wyoming.gov/Programs/standards/standards_review_request-for-public-comments.aspx.

You can also find the link for the Chapter 31 Rules under “What’s New” on the WDE homepage: <http://edu.wyoming.gov> The Department will be accepting public comment until January 25, 2012.

In addition to the website, the Department and the State Board of Education will be holding public hearings about the Chapter 31 Rules and the revised standards. Please refer to the information below if you wish to participate:

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DATE	CITY	LOCATION	TIME
Monday February 6, 2012	Gillette, Wyoming	Campbell County High School Auditorium	6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Tuesday February 7, 2012	Casper, Wyoming	Natrona County School District, Central Services Facility, Jefferson Room	6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Wednesday February 8, 2012	Thermopolis, Wyoming	Thermopolis Town Hall	6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Thursday February 9, 2012	Rock Springs, Wyoming	Sweetwater County School District #1 Central Administration Building, Board Room	6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Friday February 10, 2012	Cheyenne, Wyoming	Laramie County Community College, Center for Conferences and Institutes (CCI), Room 130	6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

An additional public hearing will be held on Monday, February 13, 2012 over the Wyoming Equality Network (WEN) at the following locations:

DATE	CITY	LOCATION	TIME
Monday February 13, 2012	Casper, Wyoming	Casper College, Werner Tech Building, Room 105	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Cheyenne, Wyoming	Laramie County School District #1 Building, Room 214	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Laramie, Wyoming	University of Wyoming, College of Education Building, Room 1	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Riverton, Wyoming	Central Wyoming College, Intertribal Building, Room 116	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Rock Springs, Wyoming	Western Wyoming Community College, Annex Building, Room A-101	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Powell, Wyoming	Powell High School, Library	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.
Monday February 13, 2012	Torrington, Wyoming	Torrington High School, Room 204	6:15 – 8:00 P.M.

Please check our website for updates:

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The state will review and consider all public comments and make any necessary modifications to the Chapter 31 Rules and/or the 2011 Revised Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Health, Language Arts, or Mathematics as appropriate. Public comment may be submitted by clicking on the aforementioned link on the WDE website, attending one of the public hearings, or via U.S. Mail to Wyoming Department of Education, Attn: Standards Team, Hathaway Building 2nd Floor, 2300 Capitol Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82002.

For questions, please contact Julie Magee at julie.magee@wyo.gov or 307.777.8740.

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