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TO: School District Superintendents
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SUBJECT: Accessible Instructional Materials Training Resources

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Since the 2004 reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), school districts have been required to provide, in a timely manner, accessible instructional materials (AIM) to students who need them in alternate formats (digital, audio, braille, or large print).

National and statewide systems and resources have been put in place to facilitate this process. The Wyoming Department of Education has contracted with the Wyoming Institute for Disabilities to assist districts in locating accessible instructional materials and utilizing these resources.

In an effort to provide ongoing training to school district staff on the accessible instructional materials requirements of IDEA and resources for the provision of these materials, a series of web-based training modules have been developed.

The module topics are: Introduction and Legal Context, Navigating the Decision Making Process, AIM Support at Your Fingertips, Introduction to Bookshare, Introduction to Learning Ally, and Accessible Microsoft Word Document Design.

For more information or to access these training modules:

<http://www.uwyo.edu/wind/nimas/modules.html>

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