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## **MEMORANDUM NO. 2015-043**

TO:	District Superintendents Principals, Curriculum Directors, Instructional Facilitators
FROM:	Loralyn O'Kief, Education Consultant, Career Technical Education
DATE:	April 20, 2015
SUBJECT:	2015 CTE Demonstration Project Mini-Grants

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# **2015 CTE MINI-GRANT APPLICATION**

The Wyoming Department of Education has an opportunity available for school districts that would like to apply for a minigrant of up to \$20,000. There are funds from the 2015-2016 State Career Technical Education (CTE) Demonstration Project Grant W.S. 21-12-105 available to any CTE programs in the state. Applicants should submit a proposal to the CTE section of the Wyoming Department of Education by no later than 5:00 P.M. MST Friday, June 19, 2015.

The focus of the 2015-2016 CTE Demonstration Project Mini-Grant is to provide funding for planning, development, and implementation of a CTE demonstration project. These funds may be used to start up a new high school CTE program in a school district, or to expand an existing program. Amounts awarded under this program shall be used for any of the following:

- Curriculum development;
- Project design costs;
- Funding initial purchases of equipment and supplies.

Project proposals must focus on systematic development of academic core-career technical education integration, curriculum alignment with industry standards, career clusters, career pathways, career guidance, and course sequencing. The CTE demonstration project proposal must also lead secondary students to one or more of the options of workforce entry, certificate or credential attainment, and/or post-secondary education.

The application process and guidelines are located here: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FN5J7C8</u>.

Selected proposals will be awarded on July 1, 2015 and acknowledged at the 2015 Roadmap to STEM Conference Gala in Sheridan, Wyoming on August 3, 2015.

Please send proposals to Loralyn O'Kief, CTE Demonstration Project Mini-Grant Program Manager.

If you have questions regarding the grant application, please contact Loralyn O'Kief at <u>loralyn.okief@wyo.gov</u> or (307) 777-3549 or Guy Jackson, the State CTE Director at 307-777-3655 or <u>guy.jackson@wyo.gov</u>.