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MEMORANDUM NO. 2016-137

TO: School District Superintendents

Elementary Principals Instructional Facilitators

K-12 Teachers

FROM: Brent Bacon, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: December 5, 2016

SUBJECT: Children's Progress Academic Assessment (CPAA) Training Webinar

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Wyoming Department of Education is providing a professional development opportunity for teachers on the Children's Progress Academic Assessment (CPAA). In accordance with W.S. §21-4-302(e) School districts that provide a preschool program must submit data through either the IF-K or the Children's Progress Academic Assessment (CPAA). WDE is providing the CPAA for all kindergarten teachers to access and utilize in their classrooms. Webinar trainings will be presented by the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA).

Participants will gain insight into the administration of the CPAA, as well as the powerful skill-specific guidance the assessment provides for PreK - 3, as well as tools to foster partnerships with parents. Attendees will also learn essential practices for use of the classroom assessment, how the assessment identifies fully and partially developed skills in grade-level literacy and math, as well as how instantly generated interactive reports can be used to guide instruction. The training will explore CPAA generated parent reports to include performance summaries and at-home activities (in English and Spanish) empowering families to engage in the learning process.

Webinar trainings will be held:

- Thursday, December 8 from 2:30 to 4 p.m.
 Register at: http://nwea.adobeconnect.com/wyoming_cpaa1/event/registration.html
- Tuesday, December 13 from 2:30 to 4 p.m.
 Register at: http://nwea.adobeconnect.com/wyoming_cpaa2/event/registration.html

More information on the CPAA and its benefits is available at: https://www.nwea.org/content/uploads/2014/07/ Childrens-Progress-Academic-Assessment-Overview.pdf

Save the Date:

Onsite CPAA Administration Training workshops will be held on the following dates with locations to be announced:

- Wednesday, January 25
- Thursday, January 26

For more information, please contact Thom Jones at 307-777-5674 or thom.jones@wyo.gov, or Tana Wolfe at 307-777-6476 or tana.wolfe@wyo.gov.