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MEMORANDUM NO. 2017-108

TO: School District Superintendents
Curriculum Coordinators
Technology Coordinators
Career and Technical Education Coordinators
Special Education Directors
Assessment Coordinators
Principals

FROM: Brent Bacon, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: September 25, 2017

SUBJECT: Statewide Learning Management System

STATEWIDE LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is excited to announce the decision to use Canvas as the statewide Learning Management System (LMS). Senate Enrolled Act 57 was passed during the 2017 legislative session and required the WDE to provide districts with an LMS. After extensive research and partnering with five community colleges and the University of Wyoming, Canvas was selected as the statewide LMS platform. The Canvas contract was fully executed between the WDE and Canvas on September 13, 2017.

Districts are now able to partake in the statewide LMS. While districts are not required to join the statewide LMS, they are able to opt in to the state pricing. The WDE worked with Canvas to negotiate substantially lower costs for Districts. The WDE will also be helping Districts with some of the costs of Canvas. See the [attachment](#) for pricing details.

The WDE will be hosting two webinars on September 29 at 3 p.m. via [Zoom](#) and October 4 at 3 p.m. via [Zoom](#) to help districts learn more about the new statewide LMS.

In addition to these webinars and contracted training, Canvas will also providing trainings in Laramie:

- [Tech Director Workshop](#) - Nov. 1 from 9-4 p.m.
- [Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference](#) - Nov. 2 at 11:45 a.m.
- [Canvas Training in UW Union](#) - Nov. 3 from 1-4 p.m.

As part of the Canvas contract, the WDE has also included 35 face-to-face training days to ensure that educators know how to effectively use Canvas. A training schedule will be published in the near future.

For questions, contact Laurel Ballard, Student & Teacher Resource Team Supervisor, at 307-777-8715 or laurel.ballard@wyo.gov.

Attachment:
K-12 Pricing Details