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## **MEMORANDUM NO. 2017-115**

**TO:** School District Superintendents

Curriculum and Instruction Directors

**Technology Directors** 

Principals K-12 Teachers

FROM: Brent Bacon, Chief Academic Officer

**DATE**: October 16, 2017

**SUBJECT**: 2016-17 Digital Learning Plan Annual Report

# RELEASE OF 2016-17 DIGITAL LEARNING PLAN ANNUAL REPORT

The 2016-17 Digital Learning Plan Annual Report is now available. This report provides an update on the 2017-2021 Digital Learning Plan (DLP) with projects planned and completed during the first year of implementation. The comprehensive five-year DLP was written to address the need for equitable access to education opportunities, and to support students in being college, career, and military ready when they graduate from high school.

Major projects and initiatives from the first year of implementation include: Open Range Wyoming, Future Ready Wyoming, Digital Learning Day, Hour of Code, Coders of the West, the Wyoming Classroom Connectivity Initiative, the Statewide Learning Management System, the Virtual Education Course Catalog, and the Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference. In addition, the Wyoming Department of Education worked with stakeholders and the Legislature to revise statutes aimed at providing students with greater opportunities to take virtual education courses.

The focus for year two of the DLP will be on aligning state and federal funds to continue support of digital learning; developing best practices, guidelines, and standards for digital learning; providing support to schools with data collection and successful implementation of digital learning strategies; and releasing an updated virtual education course catalog to increase the number of students participating in virtual courses.

Also attached are the annual reports for the Wyoming Education Trust Fund Grant and the Distance Education Grant.

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Attachments:

Digital Learning Plan Annual Report Wyoming Education Trust Fund Grant Annual Report Distance Education Grant Annual Report