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MEMORANDUM NO. 2017-122

TO: School District Superintendents Perkins Coordinators Hathaway Scholarship Coordinators CTE Teachers School Counselors Curriculum Coordinators

FROM: Brent Bacon, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: November 20, 2017

SUBJECT: Wyoming Workforce Discovery Grant

ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR WY WORKFORCE DISCOVERY GRANT

The new WY Workforce Discovery Grant provides funding to support more robust and meaningful work-based learning opportunities for students. The **grant** will award each recipient up to \$12,000 for use in the 2017-18 program year. Eligible recipients include school districts or community colleges. The application will need to be submitted no later than December 15, 2017. Funds will be awarded in January. This competitive grant is provided by the Wyoming Department of Education's (WDE) Career and Technical Education team.

Click here to access the grant application.

The grant may be used to support innovative CTE initiatives at the secondary and post-secondary levels, specifically those that do the following:

- 1. Develop more comprehensive and robust career pathways leading to viable career or post-secondary training options for students
- 2. Provide work-based learning experiences for students that are in industries closely related to CTE pathways
- 3. Develop meaningful partnerships between schools and institutions, and business and industry representatives

To be eligible for the grant, both secondary and post-secondary applicants must have at least one formal partnership established with business or industry (this may include a registered apprenticeship). The grant may not be used to pay for food or beverages, or anything else unallowable as set forth in the Federal Uniform Grant Guidance. Applications will be reviewed and scored by a grant review committee at the WDE.

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