

# Wyoming Department of Education PRESS RELEASE

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CHEYENNE - The Wyoming Board of Education today announced that it is seeking nominations to the 27 member professional judgment panel being formed to provide broad-based representation and information to be used in developing and establishing the Wyoming Accountability in Education Act (WAEA) accountability model. A more thorough description of the work of the panel may be found in the Section 5 of the Act (please review pages 644-649 of the referenced PDF file [DO NOT use page numbers on the document, USE page numbers shown in the PDF program]; <a href="http://legisweb.state.wy.us/2012/BillswithFN/Chapter/All%20Chapters.pdf">http://legisweb.state.wy.us/2012/BillswithFN/Chapter/All%20Chapters.pdf</a>)

The Panel will consist of three (3) members from each of nine (9) groups:

#	Group	Number of Panel Members
1	Wyoming State Board of Education	3
2	Public School Teachers	3
3	Public School Principals	3
4	School Superintendents	3
5	Business & Community Members at Large	3
6	Parents of Children Attending Public Schools	3
7	District Central Office Personnel	3
8	School District Trustees	3
9	Post Secondary Education Institutions	3
Total		27

The Board of Education plans to assemble the nominations on or before June 7 and to make appointments at its meeting on June 12; *ALL* interested persons are encouraged to submit a nomination form. Interested persons MUST complete and submit an "Expression of Interest" form to be considered. Applicants may complete and submit a form using one of the following methods:

- Follow this link (<a href="http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22FSQLTTEAH">http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22FSQLTTEAH</a>) to the Zoomerang website and complete the Expression of Interest form.
- Visit the Wyoming Department of Education website, <a href="www.edu.wyoming.gov">www.edu.wyoming.gov</a>; review available materials and then follow the link to the Zoomerang website (<a href="http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22FSQLTTEAH">http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22FSQLTTEAH</a>) and complete the Expression of Interest form.
- Visit the Wyoming Department of Education website, <a href="www.edu.wyoming.gov">www.edu.wyoming.gov</a>; review available materials. Open and print the Expression of Interest form; once it is completed, mail it to:

State Board of Education c/o
Wyoming Department of Education
Attn: Chelsie Bailey
2300 Capitol Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Hathaway Building
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

• Email the completed form to Chelsie Bailey at <u>Chelsie.Bailey@wyo.gov</u>

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## **Job Description**

The State Board of Education today announced it is seeking nominations for the Wyoming Education Accountability Professional Judgment Panel. The panel will consist of three representatives each from nine groups: The State Board, public school teachers, public school principals, public school superintendents, public school central offices, school district boards of trustees, post secondary education institutions, parents of students in public schools, and community members.

The panel will assist in developing the school performance rating model, determining the ranking of schools, setting the levels for performance ratings, establishing growth targets, hearing appeals related to school performance levels, and advising the State Board on issues related to the accountability system. The panel will hold meetings as necessary in centralized locations within the state and members on the panel not otherwise serving with the education system will be reimbursed out-of-pocket costs for attendance. It is expected that most of the panel's work will be accomplished prior to the 2013-2014 school year.

Nominees are encouraged to reflect on how they propose to work collaboratively within a large committee, to describe their success in achieving student growth (for educators) or to describe their support of educational excellence (for parents and community members), and to affirm they have the ability to commit their personal time to this important task. Nominees are encouraged to respond on or before June 7, 2012

The State Board is encouraging all interested persons to nominate themselves, or with permission of the proposed nominee, to nominate others by sending an expression of interest to the State Board c/o Wyoming Department of Education, Attn: Chelsie Bailey, 2300 Capitol Avenue, 2d Floor Hathaway Building, Cheyenne, WY 82002 or to chelsie. bailey@wyo.gov.

## Wyoming Education Accountability Professional Judgment Panel

## **Expression of Interest**

Name:	
Contact Information:	
Phone(s)	
Email:	
Mailing:	
Status: local district board member, superintendent, principal, teacher, district central office, member community, parent, or business community member. (Please circle or highlight as appropriate)	of post-secondary
School or District represented (if applicable):	
Parent of child in school(s):	
Manner and nature of involvement with local schools:	
Member of community:	
Business, trade, profession?	
Manner and nature of involvement with local schools:	
Brief statement of why you are interested in serving on the Professional Judgment Panel. You may wis your ability to work effectively and efficiently within a large group and any similar group work experien	