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TO: School District Superintendents
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DATE: November 14, 2008

SUBJECT: Distance Education Update

PLEASE READ AND DISTRIBUTE AS NECESSARY

This memorandum is to notify you of two updates regarding distance education: the release of a distance education course needs survey and the revision of the Distance Education Grant (DEG).

To better serve the needs of Wyoming school districts and their students, the Wyoming Department of Education is releasing a survey to determine statewide interest in specific distance education courses across all grade levels. Information collected from this survey will be used to inform current and potential distance education providers of statewide demand for course offerings. The survey should take approximately 5 to 15 minutes to complete and will close on December 1, 2008. All appropriate staff members are welcomed to participate so please share the following link: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB228D6VHS335>

The Distance Education Grant (DEG) is designed to assist school districts, community colleges and the University of Wyoming to develop and maintain distance education programs that deliver core courses, components of the Hathaway Success Curriculum, dual enrollment courses, and Advanced Placement (AP) courses. The Wyoming Department of Education is currently revising this grant and would like to take this opportunity to request your input on how to best provide for distance education professional development, program maintenance and operational needs, accreditation requirements, program evaluation, and other necessary program components. Your comments and suggestions for this opportunity will be greatly appreciated. This discussion will be

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conducted on the Fusion DE Community Page. The Fusion portal is located at <https://fusion.edu.wyoming.gov> and, if necessary, accounts can be created by selecting the “Request Login” link at the top-right corner of the page.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact Scott Bullock at sbullo@educ.state.wy.us or (307)777-7418.

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