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MEMORANDUM NO. 2013 - 082

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Jim Rose, Ed.D
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DATE: June 24, 2013

SUBJECT: Wyoming Adjunct Professor Loan Repayment Program

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE SHARE IMMEDIATELY

During its most recent session, the Wyoming Legislature passed legislation for the Wyoming Adjunct Professor Loan Repayment Program. Attached is additional information about the Wyoming Adjunct Professor Loan Repayment Program. Please share this flyer with interested parties.

As you may know, this new law provides funding for high school teachers to receive assistance in obtaining the necessary educational credentials to become adjunct faculty at one of the state's postsecondary institutions in order to provide concurrent instruction.

Funding will become available on July 1. I would appreciate your review and comments on the attached materials as soon as possible. In order to conform to the short timeline the law requires, **the date established for initial applications is July 5**. You will note, there are several steps to the process, so a timely response from you will be most appreciated.

Attachment

Wyoming Community College Commission

2020 Carey Avenue, 8th Floor, Cheyenne WY 82002



Wyoming Adjunct Professor Loan Repayment Program

OVERVIEW

During the 2013 legislative session Wyoming Statute 21-7-701 was created, the legislation established the Wyoming Adjunct Professor Loan Repayment (WAPLR) program. The program is designed to financially assist public school teachers in attaining necessary qualifications to become qualified to teach specific college level concurrent enrollment courses. To repay the loan the teacher agrees to teach the concurrent enrollment courses in a Wyoming school district for a two year period after becoming fully qualified.

The legislature allocated \$100,000 to this program to cover loans. Once the money is exhausted no more loans will be issued. The legislature may choose to reallocate money to the program in future fiscal years to fund new applicants.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The public school teacher must be nominated by his/her employing school district and must also work with a Wyoming community college to specify what qualifications are needed to teach the concurrent enrollment course(s).

The application packet requires a relatively detailed plan of courses needed to become qualified, the name of the institution where the coursework is to be completed, timeframes to completion, concurrent courses that will be taught upon completion and signatures of all three parties involved.

The legislature tasked the Commission with implementing this program quickly so that applicants were able to get assistance starting in the fall 2013 semester. This short timeline has produced a quick turnaround for applications this first year of the program. If any of the initial funds are still available or if the legislature allocates funds in subsequent years, applicants will have a longer turnaround time for applications to be completed and submitted for the '14-'15 academic year. Applications will only be accepted once a year.

The rules, application and other supporting documents will be available and posted no later than July 11th, 2013.

FOR QUESTIONS AND MORE INFORMATION

Go to the Wyoming Community College Commission website at:

<http://www.communitycolleges.wy.edu/wyoming-adjunct-professor-incentive-.aspx>

Or call Joe McCann 307-777-6290 or Amy Brockel 307-777-8703

2013 DEADLINE

**Completed applications/packets due to the Wyoming
Community College Commission JULY 5th, 2013**