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TO: School District Superintendents
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FROM: Stephanie Brady, Social Studies Consultant
Standards, Learning & Accountability Division

DATE: September 23, 2013

SUBJECT: Opportunity from Wyoming PBS

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Wyoming PBS has an exciting opportunity for Social Studies teachers across the state. We are currently in the process of uploading Wyoming relevant materials to the national PBS LearningMedia site, which will tie to Wyoming State and Common Core Standards, and we need your expertise.

We have identified two locally produced historical programs which we feel have enormous potential in the classroom: *End of Track* which explores the construction of the Transcontinental Railroad in Wyoming and the “End of Track” town that popped up along the way; and *Wyoming Voices* which documents Wyoming’s history chronologically from the days of our state’s earliest inhabitants through today, with the heart of the program being told from the perspective of ordinary people who helped shape the culture and values of our state.

We are looking for educators interested in collaborating with us on this digital media project and helping us organize video segments from these programs so that we can upload them to the LearningMedia library. The project will require participants to view and analyze these documentaries and provide input on how to parse the content into 3-5 minute video segments. It’s slated to start in early October and conclude by the end of December and will require approximately

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three conference calls with Wyoming PBS staff. There is a modest stipend being offered to participants.

Wyoming **PBS LearningMedia™** is a dynamic digital content library designed especially for PreK-12 educators. With over 30,000 lesson plans, interactive games, and targeted video segments, the service streamlines your search for trusted, curriculum-aligned content.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Penny Hotovec via email at penny@wyomingpbs.org.

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