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TO: School District Superintendents
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FROM: Deb Lindsey, Assessment Administrator
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DATE: August 3, 2015

SUBJECT: Student Growth Reports

CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT GROWTH REPORTS AVAILABLE AUGUST 3

Consistent with the Wyoming Accountability in Education Act, 2015 marks the third year the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) has provided growth data as one of the indicators in School Performance Reports (SPRs) for elementary and middle schools. The public versions of the SPRs are available to parents and the community at large, providing information about growth by grade and subject within a school.

Complementing the school level growth reports, the WDE is now providing its first-ever individual student growth reports. These new reports are designed for students and their families, illustrating a longitudinal view of a child's achievement *and* growth in reading and math on Proficiency Assessments for Wyoming Students (PAWS).

As articulated in the attached guide, *Understanding the Student Growth Percentile Report*, the two most recent years of PAWS data in reading and math are presented for a student, culminating in a "fan" that shows the likely range of next year's scores given a particular student's score history. In this report, red denotes low growth while white is typical and green represents high growth. These reports offer the opportunity to discuss student achievement with parents in the broader context of services provided at the local level.

The WDE will be confidentially publishing these reports on August 3, 2015, and they will be available through the Wyoming Transcript Center. In order to access the reports, a user

must have a Wyoming Transcript Center User account. Reports have been placed in .zip files by school name. Students will be associated with the school and grade they attended in the 2014-15 school year.

If you have any questions about the Wyoming Growth Model or the new student growth reports, please contact Deb Lindsey at deb.lindsey@wyo.gov or (307)777-8753.

If you have questions about using the Wyoming Transcript Center, please contact Liz Foster at elizabeth.foster@wyo.gov or (307)777-7009.

Attachment:
Understanding the Student Growth Percentile Report