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MEMORANDUM NO. 2018-033

TO: School District Superintendents
School Principals

FROM: Megan Degenfelder, Chief Policy Officer

DATE: March 12, 2018

SUBJECT: Professional Learning Communities Initiative

KICK-OFF EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR PLC INITIATIVE

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) has selected Solution Tree Inc. to provide statewide and focused Professional Learning Community (PLC) training. School principals will receive the *Professional Learning Communities at Work Survey™* on March 14, 2018, from the Solution Tree consultants. The WDE requests that school leaders work with their staff to complete the survey.

The data compiled from the survey results will guide the development of new statewide workshops that will be open to all schools. In addition, the data will help in the annual selection of 15 schools to receive focused PLC training and support, intended to move schools forward in implementation of the *PLC At Work Process™* with fidelity. This includes an on-site needs assessment, PLC Leadership Implementation Academies, and web-based conferencing and support. School principals will receive application materials on March 14, 2018. The full program will be presented across the state at Kick-Off events. Teams are invited to register for these workshops. Events will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the following dates:

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| April 16, 2018 | Casper - Casper College Gateway 225 |
| April 17, 2018 | Cheyenne – Laramie County Community College Pathfinder Building |
| April 26, 2018 | Riverton – Holiday Inn and Conference Center |
| April 27, 2018 | Green River – Sweetwater County School District #2 Board Room |

The Statewide System of Support (SSoS) was established by the State Board of Education in 2014, identifying the PLC process as one of the four pillars of support. In 2015, the WDE and the Wyoming Association of School Administrators introduced PLC training statewide through SSoS.

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