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MEMORANDUM NO. 2018-040

TO: School District Superintendents

WISE Coordinators Technology Directors Fusion Administrators

WISE ID and WISER ID Administrators

FROM: Dianne Bailey, Chief Operations Officer

DATE: April 2, 2018

SUBJECT: New Directory Manager and WISER ID Systems

NEW DIRECTORY MANAGER AND WISER ID SYSTEM

The Fusion Portal will soon be retired. The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) recently awarded an RFP for a new directory and unique identification system to <u>Computer Power Solutions of Illinois</u> (CPSI). The WDE's new directory will help support changes like the statewide Learning Management System, as well as interim, modular, and summative WY-TOPP assessments.

Over the next several months, applications in the Fusion Portal will be relocated to the <u>WDE website</u>'s data and reporting pages. Applications will still be accessed using your Fusion credentials. User names will be transferred over to the new directory, but passwords will need to be reset to meet WDE security requirements.

The eight-digit student WISER IDs will be maintained, and the new WISER Registration System will continue to use the Kimono agent. Districts using the Student Locator will be able to retrieve IDs as usual. A new user interface for the manual retrieval of IDs and for batch uploads will be provided. In the new ID system, all case conflicts will be resolved by WDE staff. More detailed training on the ID system will be offered this summer.

After the 2017-18 school year, the seven-digit staff WISE IDs will be retired, and all district employees will be assigned a new eight-digit WISER ID. The new statewide Canvas LMS will use the WISER ID

as well. Everyone using the LMS will need a WISER ID, so both instructors and students can see their courses after logging into the application. Those using the LMS will need a WISER ID. Instructors who are also currently students will be able to see all of the courses that they are participating in. The new ID system will allow post-secondary institutions participating in the state LMS to retrieve IDs.

The WDE684 data collection will no longer be used to create assessment rosters. Districts will be required to automate their roster information from their student information systems (SIS) using the CPSI data storage architecture.

The WDE Information Management Division and CPSI will assist districts with connecting their SIS to the new directory, beginning the first week of April. There is no cost to districts. Districts should <u>sign up here</u> to begin the process, which takes approximately a half a day and must be completed by by July 1st.

The WDE Information Management Division will host two separate webinars to give districts the opportunity to ask questions. The webinars will be held:

- <u>Tuesday, April 10 at 2 p.m.</u> Meeting ID 517-117-905
- Wednesday, April 11 at 8:30 a.m. Meeting ID: 811-819-388

The WDE Information Management Division will release a periodic newsletter beginning on, April 16. The newsletter will be sent to all Superintendents, Principals, WISE Coordinators, and Technology Directors. Click here to subscribe, and select "Data" from the list of WDE topics to be added to all future communications regarding these changes.

For more information, contact Susan Williams, Data Collection and Reporting Supervisor, at 307-777-6252 or susan.williams@wyo.gov.