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то:	School District Superintendents Business Managers Transportation Supervisors
FROM:	Megan Degenfelder, Chief Policy Officer
DATE:	July 9, 2018
SUBJECT:	Revision of Transportation Rules

CALL FOR DISTRICT PARTICIPANTS AND INPUT ON TRANSPORTATION RULES REVISION

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) seeks 10-15 participants with subject matter expertise and interest in reviewing and revising the WDE Pupil Transportation Rules to serve on two committees. Chapters 2 and 20 of the WDE Rules establish the criteria and standards for school buses purchased by Wyoming school districts, operational standards, and determining eligible pupil transportation costs that are reimbursable under the Wyoming School Foundation block grant funding model. The current rules require review and revision to implement recent legislation, clarify transportation processes and requirements, and to reduce interpretation error.

The Wyoming School Bus Standards committee will focus on revising equipment standards (WDE Rules, Chapter 2), and would benefit from the participation of transportation supervisors, bus drivers, technicians, and others with experience in the school bus industry.

The Transportation Reimbursement Rules committee will clarify and revise the rules related to the pupil transportation component within the Wyoming School Foundation (WDE Rules, Chapter 20). This committee seeks membership from superintendents, business managers, transportation supervisors, and others with responsibilities for the administration of student transportation.

The work of the committees will begin in August 2018, with two-three days of meetings. Additional meetings may occur throughout the fall of 2018, using virtual meeting platforms or a face-to-face format, as appropriate.

Those interested in serving on either committee should contact Justin Budd, Pupil Transportation Supervisor, at 307-777-6984 or justin.budd@wyo.gov, by July 30, 2018. Expressing interest in participating does not commit anyone to serve on the revision committees. Members will be chosen from the list of those interested, and will be contacted directly through email. The committees will remain active until the revised rules go into effect.

For more information, contact Justin Budd, Pupil Transportation Supervisor, at <u>justin.budd@wyo.gov</u> or 307-777-6984.