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RELEASE OF 2017-18 DIGITAL LEARNING PLAN ANNUAL REPORT

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is releasing the 2017-18 Digital Learning Plan Annual Report. This report provides an update on the 2017-2021 Digital Learning Plan (DLP) with projects implemented and completed during the 2017-18 school year. The comprehensive five-year DLP for Wyoming was written to address the need for equitable access to education opportunities and to support students in being college, career, and military ready when they graduate from high school.

Major highlights from the report include information on: Open Range Wyoming, Future Ready Wyoming, Hour of Code, Coders of the West, the Wyoming Classroom Connectivity Initiative, the Statewide Learning Management System, the Virtual Education Course Catalog, and the Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference. In addition, the WDE worked with stakeholders and the Legislature to revise statutes to provide computer science education to students across Wyoming.

The focus for year three of the DLP will be on developing return on investment analysis and technology resources, developing computer science standards, developing digital learning guidelines, launching the Open Range Wyoming platform, and working on bringing educator micro-credentialing and badging opportunities to Wyoming.

Attached are the annual reports for the Wyoming Education Trust Fund Grant and the Distance Education Grant.

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