MEMORANDUM NO. 2019-001

TO: School District Superintendents
    Curriculum Coordinators
    Career and Technical Education Coordinators
    K-12 Principals

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: January 7, 2019

SUBJECT: Computer Science Educator Certifications

COMPUTER SCIENCE CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR MATH AND SCIENCE COURSE CREDIT

In 2018, the Wyoming Legislature passed Senate Enrolled Act 48, requiring all school districts to offer computer science courses. Computer science courses may count as a science graduation requirement or as an additional fourth year of math for the Hathaway Scholarship Program requirement.

Districts have posed questions relating to teacher certification requirements to provide science or math credit for students taking computer science courses. The Wyoming Department of Education has produced a flowchart to clarify the certification requirements. Please note the requirements will change once the computer science standards have been fully approved, as seen on page 2 of the attached.

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