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## STATEWIDE SYSTEM OF SUPPORT GUIDEBOOK NOW AVAILABLE

The Statewide System of Support (SSOS), established by W.S. 21-2-204(h), is designed to support schools at all levels by matching the intensity of support to each school's need, using an array of programs and resources that will assist with the implementation of effective practices. The [SSOS guidebook](#) provides information about programs, services, and resources, and will continue to evolve as the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) responds to identified needs.

The WDE will identify appropriate tiered levels of support and intervention for each school based on a comprehensive screening protocol. The guidebook explains the approach for addressing the needs of different schools, as well as the protocol for placing schools into a tier. The WDE will administer five pillars of support, wherein the agency can take an increasingly active support role with districts and schools demonstrating the most intense and persistent needs.

The SSOS is led by a WDE cross-divisional team that works collaboratively to design and implement a multi-tiered system of support, which effectively utilizes both state and federal resources.

The WDE will notify each school principal of their designated tier via email by February 12, 2019. The email will also address the process of identifying, accessing, and partnering to provide appropriate supports.

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