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**SUBJECT:** Call for Innovative Thinkers for K-12 Awards



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## 2019 K-12 DIGITAL LEARNING INNOVATIONS AWARDS NOMINATIONS DUE APRIL 12, 2019

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) seeks Wyoming's innovative thinkers to recognize with the K-12 Digital Learning Innovations Awards. The awards were created to honor leaders and educators who create cultures of innovation and forward-thinking through effective uses of digital, 21st century technologies to engage students, while empowering them to own their learning.

### Student Voices Award

The Student Voices Award is new this year for K-12 schools or districts that have leveraged technology to dramatically improve the educational experiences and achievement for students. The category looks at how students embrace their own education, and helps to create or implement innovation. The Wyoming Student Voices winners, including both teachers and students, will be honored and asked to present at the Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference Innovations Showcase on November 6, 2019 and award ceremony on November 7, 2019 in Gillette.

The winner will also be submitted to the State Education Technology Directors Association (SETDA) to be considered for the 2019 national [Student Voices Award](#).

### Digital Learning Innovations Awards

The Digital Learning Innovations Awards acknowledge educators who utilize new and innovative ways to incorporate digital learning into student learning. More information can be found on the [WDE Educator Awards page](#).

Consider nominating outstanding candidates for one of the following categories:

- Student Voices (students and leaders working together)
- Education Leader (School Level including School Leaders)
- District Leader (District Level)
- Program Leaders (Statewide Level)

**Applications** are due by April 12, 2019.

Winners will be notified by May 10, 2019 and will receive free registration to attend the 2019 Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference in Gillette, where they will be recognized on November 7, 2019 during an awards ceremony.

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