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то:	Superintendents School Principals
FROM:	Kari Eakins, Chief Policy Officer
DATE:	March 23, 2019
SUBJECT:	21CCLC: Upcoming Cohort 13 Intent to Apply

21CCLC INTENT TO APPLY FORM DUE APRIL 12

Interested applicants for a Cohort 13 competition under the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) should submit an <u>Intent to Apply form</u> by Friday, April 12, 2019. The form is also available on the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) website. This form is not required to apply for a 21CCLC grant but will be used to communicate with potential applicants about the application process and timeline.

A project guide will be made available on the 21CCLC webpage and sent to all interested applicants when the application process begins. The guide will provide an outline of what is needed to complete the online application on the Grants Management System (GMS). Additional support will be provided through online and in-person application conferences. Applications must be completed and submitted in August, with exact dates to be determined.

More information about the 21CCLC program, including goals, competition requirements, eligibility, and more can be found <u>here</u>.

The grant can be applied to a wide range of programs. More information can be found in the guide once published. All 21CCLC programs are required to serve the families of the program participants in an active, meaningful way for the purpose of increasing family engagement in learning and supporting positive home and school relationships. Community-based organizations applying for the grant should work with with the districts they intend to serve to determine which schools are eligible and have demonstrated a need for an expanded learning program, and to create a data sharing agreement for required federal reporting. Only students from eligible schools included in the application can be served through program activities funded by 21CCLC.

As required by federal legislation, the WDE will give priority to proposals to serve schools identified as needing comprehensive or targeted support, as well as other low performing, schoolwide Title I eligible schools. Schools with less than 25 percent free and reduced lunch eligibility may not be served through this grant.

For questions about the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant and/or application guide, contact Karen Bierhaus at 307-857-9284 or **karen.bierhaus@wyo.gov**.