MEMORANDUM NO. 2019-075

TO: School District Superintendents
   Business Managers
   School Board Members

FROM: Trent Carroll, Chief Operations Officer

DATE: July 1, 2019

SUBJECT: Chapter 2 and Chapter 20 Rules Public Comment and Hearing: Transportation

PUBLIC COMMENT OPEN ON TRANSPORTATION RULES. PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR AUGUST 20.

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is promulgating revisions to Chapter 2 and Chapter 20 rules and seeks public comment. The comment window will be open from July 3, 2019 through August 17, 2019.

During the 2019 Legislative Session, HEA0125 repealed the moratorium on the purchase of student transportation vehicles and required the WDE to:

- Define procedures for, and conditions under which school districts may procure student transportation vehicles.
- Establish a mileage and age replacement schedule for student transportation vehicles.
- Establish a competitive bid process for student transportation vehicle procurement.

The proposed Chapter 20 rules are a result of these legislative mandates.

The Chapter 2 proposed rules are updated to incorporate industry standards that maintain or further enhance the safety, security, and efficiency of student transportation. The proposed revision of Chapter 2 rules incorporates National School Transportation
Specifications and Procedures by reference. The remaining revisions specify standards for student transportation vehicles that are unique to Wyoming.

Chapter 20 references Chapter 2 rules in several sections; therefore, the proposed rule revisions are being promulgated together.

Comments can be submitted online or mailed to:

Wyoming Department of Education  
Attn: Justin Budd  
122 West 25th St., Suite E200  
Cheyenne, WY 82002

All public comments will be recorded verbatim, including the submitter’s name and city of residence. When commenting, please specify which rule change the comment is concerning.

A public hearing on the proposed Chapter 20 rules is set from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 20 in the Laramie County School District #1 Storey Gym Boardroom, 2811 House Ave. in Cheyenne.

Anyone who wishes to join the hearing virtually and provide public comment must register here by noon on Monday, August 19. It is not necessary to register to attend the hearing in person.

Verbal and written comments will be accepted at the hearing in person, as well as online. All comments will be recorded and filed with the Secretary of State’s Office.

For more information, contact Justin Budd, at 307-777-6984 or justin.budd@wyo.gov.