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TO: School District Superintendents
School Principals

FROM: Kari Eakins, Chief Policy Officer

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SUBJECT: Annual Accreditation Due November 1



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ANNUAL ACCREDITATION DUE NOV 1

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE)'s [Administrative Rules](#) define the process for accreditation of the state's school districts in Chapter 6: Rules, District and School Accreditation. The process includes an accreditation report submitted annually to the WDE by November 1, which includes evidence aligned to the [accreditation criteria](#). This evidence is used by the WDE to verify adherence to Chapter 6.

Based on the review of the submitted evidence, a district's accreditation recommendation is reported to the State Board of Education (SBE) for approval. This review includes a District Assessment System (DAS) plan, and where applicable, a School Improvement Plan (SIP). Beginning this school year, rubrics will be available to evaluate [DAS plans](#) and [SIPs](#), and more information on accreditation can be found on the [WDE website](#).

Districts are required to submit the [annual accreditation report](#) to the WDE by November 1, 2019. If desired, districts may update and resubmit the evidence file they submitted in February 2019.

For more information about accreditation, contact Chelsie Oaks at chelsie.oaks@wyo.gov or 307-777-8676, or Bill Pannell at bill.pannell@wyo.gov or 307-777-7322.

For more information specific to school improvement plans and district assessment systems, contact Catherine Palmer at catherine.palmer@wyo.gov or 307-777-6198.