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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2019-135

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Curriculum Coordinators  
Principals

**FROM:** Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

**DATE:** November 12, 2019

**SUBJECT:** IF-K Portal and WDE453 Data Collection Discontinued

# IF-K PORTAL AND WDE453 DATA COLLECTION DISCONTINUED

Since 2009/2010, the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) has funded the Instructional Foundations for Kindergarten (IF-K) as a means to meet the statutory requirements under W.S. 21-4-302(e) for district-run preschools. During the 2019 legislative session, [House Enrolled Act 52](#) amended the statute by removing the reporting requirement to the state. As a result of this change, the WDE ended the WDE453 data collection and subsequently is no longer funding the IF-K contract that maintained a website portal that facilitated the collection of data.

Although the reporting requirement no longer exists, the statute still states that districts which provide a preschool program are required to biennially assess, through the fourth grade when practical, the school readiness and academic performance of those students who participated in the district preschool program, compared to those who did not.

While districts may select their own assessment to meet the statutory requirement, the WDE maintains a contract with NWEA to provide the Children's Progress Academic Assessment (CPAA) to interested parties.

If your district would like more information about CPAA, contact Kimm Rombardo at 949-235-6362 (cell), 503-639-7873 (FAX) or [kimberly.rombardo@nwea.org](mailto:kimberly.rombardo@nwea.org).

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