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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2019-140

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Curriculum Coordinators  
Principals  
Career and Technical Education Directors  
Technology Directors

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

**DATE:** November 25, 2019

**SUBJECT:** 2019-20 Girls Go CyberStart Challenge

## 2019-20 GIRLS GO CYBERSTART CHALLENGE

The 2019-20 [Girls Go CyberStart Challenge](#) registration will open on December 2, 2019. The challenge is a cybersecurity initiative sponsored by the SANS Institute and supported by Governor Mark Gordon. SANS is an information security training and security certification organization. This competition teaches contestants about cybersecurity and develops their skills through a no-cost online game called CyberStart.

No prior computer knowledge is needed, and students from all educational backgrounds are welcome. If students enjoy solving problems, logically working through challenging tasks, and learning new skills, then they have what they need to succeed at the Girls Go CyberStart Challenge.

To be eligible to participate in the Girls Go CyberStart Challenge in Wyoming, students must be:

- Female - aged 13 or older by December 2, 2019.
- Enrolled in grades 9-12 at a public or private school, or the homeschool equivalent.
- Resident of Wyoming.

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