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TO: School District Superintendents
Technology Directors
Curriculum and Instruction Directors
Elementary, Middle, and Secondary School Principals
and Teachers

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: December 2, 2019

SUBJECT: Hour of Code During Computer Science Education Week

2019 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

DECEMBER 9-13, 2019

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) invites K-12 schools in Wyoming to participate in Hour of Code during Computer Science Education Week, December 9-13, 2019. Hour of Code is a global movement reaching over 800 million students in more than 180 countries with a focus on expanding access to computer science and coding lessons. Participating schools are encouraged to publicize their Hour of Code events through local and social media outlets and invite community members to join in their efforts.

In support of this opportunity, Governor Mark Gordon will sign a "Computer Science Education Week Proclamation" at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 11 encouraging all Wyoming schools to use one uninterrupted hour of class time for students to focus on computer science activities. Staff throughout the WDE will also participate. All schools participating that register its [Hour of Code](#) event will receive a certification of participation signed by Governor Mark Gordon and Superintendent Jillian Balow.

Further information about these events and activities are available at the following websites:

- Computer Science Education Week: <https://csedweek.org/>
- Hour of Code: <https://code.org/learn>

- Family Code Night activities: <http://www.familycodenight.org/>
- Unplugged activities: <https://teachyourkidscode.com/origami-unplugged-coding-activity/>

To help demonstrate different careers utilizing coding, schools and classrooms may use these [coding flyers](#).

For assistance with planning to participate in the Hour of Code, contact Robin Grandpre at 307-777-5315 or robin.grandpre1@wyo.gov or John Ducharme at john.ducharme@wyo.gov.