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# **MEMORANDUM NO. 2020-012**

**TO:** School District Superintendents

**Principals** 

Curriculum Directors Technology Directors

**Career Technical Education Directors** 

Teachers

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

**DATE:** January 27, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Wyoming Education Trust Fund Grant Availability

# 2020-21 WYOMING EDUCATION TRUST FUND GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 28

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) invites districts to apply for the Wyoming Education Trust Fund for Innovative Education Grant. The application and additional information is available <a href="here">here</a>. The application deadline is 5 p.m. on February 28, 2020.

The purpose of the grant is to provide funding for innovation in, or improvement of, public education at all grade levels through the creation of new, different and improved educational opportunities in elementary and secondary schools inclusive of the following:

- Curriculum development activities.
- Operational initiatives.
- Administrator and staff development and improvement programs.
- Acquisition of technological equipment.
- Applied science and technology programs.
- Technical preparation programs.
- Evaluation programs.
- Public early childhood programs.



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edu.wyoming.gov twitter.com/WYOEducation facebook.com/WYOEducation For the grant award year 2020-21, applications showing creation or improvement of Computer Science (CS) programs and CS professional development will be given higher priority.

Funds are available for one-year grants to any public school district. Districts may apply individually, or in conjunction with other districts or educational institutions. Of the approximately \$250,000\* available, an estimated five to seven grants will be awarded.

Successful districts will be notified by March 30, 2020. Funds will be distributed to the awarded districts by July 31, 2020 and available for use until June 30, 2021. W.S. 21-22-107 (c), page 492, clearly states that at least one qualifying grant must be awarded, if possible, in each of the following classifications, based on average daily membership (ADM):

Classification I Less than 500 ADM

Classification II
 Classification III
 1,000 but less than 2,000 ADM

Classification IV 2,000 or greater ADM

For more information, contact Robin Grandpre, at 307-777-5315 or <a href="mailto:robin.grandpre1@wyo.gov">robin.grandpre1@wyo.gov</a>.

<sup>\*</sup>Award amounts are contingent upon availability of state funding.