MEMORANDUM NO. 2020-033

TO: School District Superintendents  
Curriculum Coordinators  
Principals  
Career and Technical Education Coordinators  
Technology Coordinators  
Virtual Education Coordinators  
Teachers

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: March 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Call for Innovative Student Voices

2020 STUDENT VOICES AWARD APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 20

Student voices are the most powerful way to hear how districts are using digital learning to impact student learning. The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is seeking nominations for schools that transform education experiences, using digital learning projects, and how the impact of these projects can be heard through the voices of students. Nominations should include schools working to meet the needs of digital learners through project-based learning experiences, with a special emphasis on preparing students for the workforce.

Applicants must provide a link to a short video (no longer than 2 minutes) that includes why they believe their school should be chosen for the award. Videos should be authentic, developed and created by students and staff. Commercially produced videos will be disqualified.

The Wyoming Student Voices winners, including both teachers and students, will be honored and asked to present at the Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference Innovations Showcase and award ceremony on November 5, 2020 in Casper. The winner will also be submitted to the State Education Technology Directors Association (SEDTA) to be considered for the 2020 national Student Voices Award.
Applications are due by **March 20, 2020**.

Winners of the award will be notified by April 3, 2020 and will receive free registration to attend the 2020 Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference in Casper.

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