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# **MEMORANDUM NO. 2020-036**

**TO:** School District Superintendents

**Curriculum Directors** 

Child Development Center Directors

TANF Eligible Preschools

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

**DATE:** March 9, 2020

**SUBJECT:** 2020-2022 TANF Grant Request for Applications

# TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES GRANT APPLICATION

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE), in conjunction with the Wyoming Department of Family Services, has received \$3 million in funds from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant, allowing preschools to apply for TANF support.

The TANF program is designed to help needy families achieve self-sufficiency. Wyoming receives a block grant to create programs that accomplish at least one of the purposes of the TANF program:

- Provide assistance to needy families, so that children can be cared for in their own homes.
- Reduce the dependency of needy parents by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage.
- Prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies.
- Encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.

TANF eligible preschools may apply for the next grant cycle from October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2022. All eligible programs are encouraged to apply. Grant proposals are due April 17, 2020 and proposal award notifications will be released on May 11, 2020.

Every effort will be made to adhere to this schedule to ensure proper time for planning for the October 1 grant commencement date.



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For questions about this grant or the process of applying, contact Amy Reyes at 307-777-7708 or <a href="mailto:amy.reyes@wyo.gov">amy.reyes@wyo.gov</a>.