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TO: School District Superintendents
Technology Directors
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Principals
Teachers

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: April 27, 2020

SUBJECT: Teacher Appreciation Week

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 4 - 8, 2020

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) invites K-12 schools throughout Wyoming to celebrate teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4-8, 2020.

There is no shortage of reasons to celebrate teachers; however this year has shown every community how impactful teachers are in Wyoming and across the U.S. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, teachers have had to become extremely flexible and completely change the way they teach. Teachers everywhere have risen to this challenge. They are restructuring education to be offered outside a school's physical walls.

Superintendent Balow would like to **challenge everyone** to #Flex4Teachers during this week, by recording a short, 30-second video of students, family, and friends being flexible. This could include muscle flexing, yoga, dancing, etc. and don't forget to thank teachers. Post the video on Facebook and Twitter and tag #Flex4Teachers. Challenge others to keep this message of appreciation for teachers rolling.

In support of teachers, Governor Mark Gordon will sign a "Teacher Appreciation Week Proclamation" at 2 p.m. MDT on Monday, May 4 to encourage all of Wyoming to celebrate the amazing educators across the state.

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