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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2020-125

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Curriculum Coordinators  
Technology Coordinators  
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Principals  
Virtual Education Coordinators  
Teachers

**FROM:** Kari Eakins, Chief Policy Officer

**DATE:** August 17, 2020

**SUBJECT:** 2020 K-12 Digital Learning Awards

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## 2020 K-12 DIGITAL LEARNING INNOVATION AWARDS – DUE SEPTEMBER 18

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) seeks to recognize Wyoming's innovative thinkers with the K-12 Digital Learning Innovations Awards. These awards were created to honor leaders and educators who create cultures of innovation and forward-thinking through effective uses of digital, 21st Century technologies to engage students, while empowering them to own their learning.

### Student Voices Awards

The Student Voices Award is for K-12 schools or districts that have leveraged technology, in partnership with students, to dramatically improve the educational experiences and achievement of students. The category looks at how students embrace their own education, and help to create or implement innovation. 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 on November 5, 2020.

Student voices are the most powerful way to hear how districts are using digital learning to impact student learning. This category is looking for schools that are transforming education experiences and how this impacts their 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.

### **Digital Learning Innovations Awards**

The Digital Learning Innovations Awards acknowledge educators who utilize new and innovative ways to incorporate digital learning into student learning. More information can be found on the [WDE Educator Awards page](#).

Consider nominating outstanding candidates for one of the following categories:

- Student Voices (Students and Teachers working together).
- Education Leader (School Level including School Leaders).
- District Leader (District Level).
- Program Leaders (Statewide Level).

[Applications](#) for all categories are due by September 18, 2020.

Winners will be notified by September 29, 2020 and will receive free registration to attend the virtual [2020 Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference](#) on November 5-6. Award winners will be asked to submit a short video to be viewed during the conference.

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