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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2020-160

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
K-12 Principals  
Curriculum Directors  
Scholarship Coordinators  
School Counselors

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

**DATE:** October 12, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Hathaway Scholarship Day

## HATHAWAY SCHOLARSHIP DAY

In recognition of the Hathaway Scholarship Program, and in honor of the 14th anniversary, November 16, 2020 has been declared Hathaway Scholarship Day. The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) asks that schools take a few minutes out of the day to congratulate students who are pursuing the Hathaway Scholarship. Whether a fifth-grader, a high school senior, or a kindergartner, as a resident of Wyoming, all students have the opportunity to be a Hathaway Scholarship recipient.

Named after the late Wyoming Governor Stanley Hathaway, the Hathaway Scholarship Program has helped nearly 30,000 students from across the state continue their education at the post-secondary level. Since 2006, all Wyoming students have had, and continue to have, access to the state-funded scholarship to pursue higher education at the University of Wyoming and each Wyoming Community College. Every year, the scholarship awards more than \$17,000,000 to the students to pursue their dreams. The Hathaway Scholarship continues to be a driving force in the lives of students to continue their education through high school and beyond, as thriving Wyomingites.

On November 16, while recognizing Hathaway Scholarship Day at school and in the classrooms, the WDE hopes that teachers and counselors

explain the benefits and rewards of being a Hathaway Scholarship recipient. Help students gain an understanding and awareness of a scholarship opportunity by describing what it is, how to receive it, and what amounts can be earned.

Also consider describing these interesting facts:

- Some Hathaway courses can be completed before ninth grade;
- The Scholarship awards up to \$13,440 over four years;
- All certificates and degrees offered at a Wyoming college are eligible to be used with the scholarship.
- There is a need-based scholarship in addition to the merit scholarship for those who qualify.
- Every year more than 5,500 students across Wyoming use the scholarship.

Find Hathaway Day resources and informational videos [here](#). For more information about the Hathaway Scholarship Program go to [hathaway scholarship.org](http://hathaway scholarship.org).

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