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**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Principals  
Elementary Math and Science Teachers

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

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**SUBJECT:** 2020 PAEMST State Finalists



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## 2020 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING (PAEMST) STATE FINALISTS

The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching is the highest recognition that a K-12 mathematics or science teacher can receive in the U.S. This year, Wyoming is honoring two math teachers and one science teacher as the 2020 state finalists. Congratulations to Katie McCue, Eastside Elementary School in Cody; Craig Williams, Buffalo Ridge Elementary School in Cheyenne; and Emily Emond, Woodland Park Elementary School in Sheridan.

Enacted by Congress in 1983, this program authorizes the President to present 108 awards each year. Awards are given to exemplary mathematics and science teachers in each of the 50 states and the four U.S. jurisdictions.

These teachers are recognized for their contribution to excellence in teaching and learning. Awardees serve as models for their colleagues, inspiration to their schools and communities, and leaders in the state and

nation. This growing network of award-winning teachers serves as a vital national resource for the improvement of mathematics and science education.

Every year, finalists in each state are chosen for the Presidential Award through a rigorous peer review process. Their applications are forwarded to the National Science Foundation where the final selection for the national Presidential Awardee is made.

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