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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2021-012

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Title I Grant Managers  
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**FROM:** Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

**DATE:** February 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Poverty Data Collection Options for Local Educational Agencies for the 2021-22 School Year

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# POVERTY DATA COLLECTION OPTIONS FOR LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

The U.S. Department of Education has released a [fact sheet](#) that offers state educational agencies and local educational agencies (LEAs) the option to choose National School Lunch Program (NSLP) data to carry out certain activities under Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEAs.

LEAs would ordinarily use NSLP data collected during the 2020-21 school year to implement Title I, Part A for the 2021-22 school year. LEAs with insufficient or unavailable 2020-21 NSLP data to determine 2021-22 school year allocations have the option to use the best available NSLP data which may be from the 2019-20 school year. This data is used to identify eligible school attendance areas and schools, rank areas and schools, determine Title I equitable share services for private school students, and determine the Title I, Part A allocation for each area and served school. LEAs also have the option to use the best available NSLP data which may be from the 2019-20 school year to determine the proportional share for equitable services in school year 2021-22 if NSLP data is not available or underreported from the 2020-21 school year.

The Wyoming Department of Education invites all districts to participate in one of two webinars designed to illustrate the poverty data options for the 2021-2022 school year. The first webinar

is scheduled from 9 – 10 a.m. MST on February 16, 2021 and can be joined [here](#). The second webinar is scheduled from 10 – 11 a.m. MST on February 18, 2021 and can be joined [here](#). Dial 1-346-248-7799 and use Meeting ID: 973 8660 3904, Passcode: 588752 on February 16 or dial 1-346-248-7799 and use Meeting ID: 925 6239 2558, Passcode: 305534 on February 18.

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