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TO: School District Superintendents
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Early Childhood Professionals and Providers

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

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SUBJECT: Registration for Fall 2022 LETRS Professional Development

REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2022 LETRS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) has opened registration for the Fall 2022 Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) professional development opportunity. The WDE will offer LETRS Third Edition for all educators, LETRS for Early Childhood Educators, and LETRS for Administrators.

LETRS Third Edition provides educators with a deep knowledge of the fundamentals of reading instruction. This course runs for four semesters and requires a commitment on the part of the educator to complete. Participants can anticipate dedicating around 52 hours each semester to successfully complete the program. This includes individual reading, online activities, and four, three-hour zoom meetings. See an overview of the program [here](#).

LETRS for Early Childhood Educators is a course of study designed to provide practical information for building language and cognitive skills in our youngest learners and is appropriate for Pre-K

through kindergarten teachers. Participants can anticipate dedicating around 45 hours to successfully complete this program. See an overview of the program [here](#).

LETRS for Administrators is appropriate for district and school administrators and their leadership teams. This professional development provides a high-level understanding of the what and why of the science of reading, and prepares administrators to support district and classroom educators through collaboration, goal setting, and development of district or school literacy plans based on effective data-based decisions. This professional development takes approximately 25-30 hours of individual reading and online activities, and another 12 hours for the four three-hour zoom meetings. See an overview of the program [here](#).

Registration is available [here](#) on the WDE's Professional Development webpage. University of Wyoming non-degree graduate credit, PTSB, and STAR credit will be available.

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