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TO: School District Superintendents

GT Coordinator/Contact Business Managers

FROM: Brian Aragon, Educational Consultant

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DATE: September 15, 2014

SUBJECT: 2014-2015 WDE 613- Gifted and Talented Data Collection

2014 WDE613-GIFTED AND TALENTED DATA COLLECTION OPENS OCT. 1

Time Sensitive: Collection ends Nov. 1

CHEYENNE - Through the WDE613 survey, the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) collects information pertaining to the districts' methods of identifying gifted and talented students. This collection also requires districts to explain the programs in place to support this subgroup.

Last year the WDE613 was modified into a survey format to be less burdensome. This year's collection will continue to be in the same format. Please view the 613 guidebook for any updates on where to access the collection form. **The collection timeline will open October 1, 2014 and close on November 1, 2014.** This timeline is firm and the deadline may not be extended.

On October 1, an email will be sent to District Superintendents with the Survey imbedded in that email. Superintendents should forward the survey on to the person who will be completing this collection. The survey link will also be available on the Data Collection Suite-Forms Inventory page of the WDE website. Upon completing the survey, there will be a submit button. When that button is clicked a response will thank you for submitting. If you do not get that message, you have not completed the survey.

The current Gifted and Talented Survey document and guidebook are available on the Data Collection Suite via the WDE613 tab at https://edu.wyoming.gov/dcs/default.html

It will be most beneficial for the district GT coordinator or person completing this survey to inquire with the elementary schools, middle schools and high schools on their methods of identifying and providing instruction to gifted and talented student populations. Having this information on hand when the collection opens will ensure a timely submission of the WDE613 GT Survey.

If you have any questions regarding the content of the WDE613, please contact Brian Aragon at <u>brian.aragon@wyo.gov</u> or 307-777-8505. For questions regarding the Data Collection Suite-Forms Inventory, please contact Elizabeth Foster at <u>elizabeth.foster@wyo.gov</u> or 307-777-7009.