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MEMORANDUM NO. 2014-123

то:	School District Superintendents Professional Development Coordinators Institutions of Higher Education Educational Organizations
FROM:	Jona Fletcher, Title II Program Manager Federal Programs Division
DATE:	October 13, 2014
SUBJECT:	No Child Left Behind, Competitive Sub-grants to Eligible Partnerships Teacher/Leader Quality Partnership Grants

TEACHER/LEADER QUALITY PARTNERSHIP GRANTS

CHEYENNE - The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 replaced the Eisenhower Higher Education Professional Development Program with Title II, Part A, Subpart 3, competitive subgrants to eligible partnerships. The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) administers the competitive grants for this program.

The purpose of Title II, Part A, Subpart 3 is to:

- Increase student academic achievement through strategies such as improving teacher and principal quality and increasing the number of highly qualified teachers in the classroom and highly qualified principals and assistant principals in schools; and
- Hold local educational agencies and schools accountable for improvements in student academic achievement.

Through this communication requesting project proposals, WDE solicits partnership applications for funds. The funds will be used to provide high quality professional development opportunities in one or more of the core academic subjects and/or projects that support the instructional leader-ship of teachers and principals.

The Teacher/Leader Quality Partnership Request for Proposal is available online at: <u>http://gms.edu.wyoming.gov/wdeGMSWeb/logon.aspx</u>. The individuals who complete the Consolidated Grant application for all Wyoming school districts, and the community colleges and University, have access to the Teacher Leader Quality Partnership application. Eligible districts and institutions of higher education that need initial access or need access for an additional individual to complete this application need to follow the "click here" link to request new GMS user access.

Wyoming has \$269,001 available to award to qualified applicants on a competitive basis. Proposals are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 12, 2014, and awards will be made on or about February 1, 2015. The award period will be February 2015 to September 30, 2016. Awards are expected to range upward from \$25,000.

Please note that a partnership must include:

- An institution of higher education and the division of the institution that prepares teachers and principals;
- A school of arts and sciences; and
- A high-need local educational agency (listed in the application Overview section, "Background Information", "Project Scope", and "Eligibility" tabs, and attached to this document) are required for funding, but other districts may join a partnership that includes a high-need district, and are strongly encouraged to do so. Further information is provided in the application regarding other possible partners, funding guidance, and other requirements of Title II, Part A, Subpart 3.

We encourage you to use this opportunity to impact the professional development of the educators in the state of Wyoming to improve the academic achievement of students.

If we can provide further help, please feel free to contact Jona at <u>jona.fletcher1@wyo.gov</u> or 307-777-6208.

Teacher Leader Quality

"The term 'high-need educational agency' means a local educational agency -

(A)(i) that serves not fewer than 10,000 children from families with incomes below the poverty line; **or**

(ii) for which not less than 20 percent of the children served by the agency are from families with incomes below the poverty line; AND

(B) (i) for which there is a high percentage of teachers not teaching in the academic subjects or grade levels that the teachers were trained to teach; or

(ii) for which there is a high percentage of teachers with emergency, provisional, or temporary certification or licensing." [Section 2102(3)]

WYOMING HIGH-NEED SCHOOL DISTRICTS

(Based on 2012 Census Data)

The four districts designated as "high need" meet both criteria A and B.

School District

BIG HORN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #3

FREMONT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #21

FREMONT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #25

FREMONT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #38

Location

Greybull, WY Ft. Washakie, WY Riverton, WY Arapahoe, WY

Name of State: Wyoming

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2	2012	5600730	Albany County School District 1	37,276	4,095	663	16.19%
3	2012	5601420	Big Horn County School District 1	3,119	687	100	14.56%
1	2012	5601460	Big Horn County School District 2	3,467	705	75	10.64%
;	2012	5603170	Big Horn County School District 3	3,062	539	110	20.41%
5	2012	5601090	Big Horn County School District 4	2,268	335	16	4.78%
7	2012	5601470	Campbell County School District 1	47,874	9,276	795	8.57%
3	2012	5601030	Carbon County School District 1	11,046	1,888	282	14.94%
9	2012	5601700	Carbon County School District 2	4,730	674	109	16.17%
0	2012	5602140	Converse County School District 1	9,678	1,766	236	13.36%
1	2012	5602150	Converse County School District 2	4,330	731	46	6.29%
2	2012	5602370	Crook County School District 1	7,155	1,150		
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8			Fremont County School District 24	1,583	263		
9			Fremont County School District 25	17,410	3,010		
0			Fremont County School District 38	1,664	413		
1			Goshen County School District 1	13,549	1,961		
2			Hot Springs County School District 1	4,822	717		
3			Johnson County School District 1	8,615	1,329		
4			Laramie County School District 1	88,777	14,724		
5			Laramie County School District 2	5,706	1,090		100.000 CONTRACTOR 100.000
6			Lincoln County School District 1	3,863	623		At talance of the
7			Lincoln County School District 2	13,300	2,789		
8	2012	5604510	Natrona County School District 1	78,621	13,232	1,841	13.91%

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9	2012	5604230	Niobrara County School District 1	2,493	336	60	17.86%
0	2012	5605160	Park County School District 1	12,125	1,878	286	5 15.23%
1	2012	5602070	Park County School District 6	15,359	2,277	312	13.70%
2	2012	5604380	Park County School District 16	803	121	17	14.05%
3	2012	5605090	Platte County School District 1	7,326	1,093	176	5 16.10%
4	2012	5603180	Platte County School District 2	1,480	209	24	11.48%
5	2012	5605690	Sheridan County School District 1	4,699	817	46	5.63%
6	2012	5605695	Sheridan County School District 2	24,461	3,751	542	14.45%
7	2012	5605680	Sheridan County School District 3	436	84	5	5.95%
8	2012	5604860	Sublette County School District 1	7,004	1,197	51	4.26%
9	2012	5601260	Sublette County School District 9	4,162	730	84	11.51%
0	2012	5605302	Sweetwater County School District 1	31,045	5,769	663	11.49%
1	2012	5605762	Sweetwater County School District 2	14,112	2,862	196	6.85%
2	2012	5605830	Teton County School District 1	21,675	2,882	366	5 12.70%
3	2012	5602760	Uinta County School District 1	14,553	3,026	473	15.63%
1	2012	5604500	Uinta County School District 4	3,238	728	59	8.10%
5	2012	5604260	Uinta County School District 6	3,234	756	75	9.92%
6	2012	5606240	Washakie County School District 1	7,738	1,511	210	13.90%
7	2012	5605820	Washakie County School District 2	726	105		
8			Weston County School District 1	5,588	864	110	12.73%
9	2012	5606090	Weston County School District 7	1,494	264	25	9.47%
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