



School Board Memo

Week of November 7, 2022 – Please Vote

New Board Member

Mr. Lane Allred has resigned from his position on **Lincoln County School District No. 2 (Afton)** school board. **Mr. Jed Johnson** has been appointed by the board to finish out Mr. Allred's term of a remaining two years.

WSBA Annual Conference – Register Now

We are looking forward to seeing you at the 2022 WSBA Annual Conference in Casper on November 16-18. The agenda is now posted to our conference website [Agenda Page](#). As a reminder, you can register for the conference through the home page of our event site by visiting bit.ly/wsba22. Hope to see you next week.

WSBA Keynote Speaker

The 2022 WSBA conference will feature keynote speaker, **Alex Sheen**. As one of the world's foremost experts on accountability and commitment, Alex is a five-time TEDxTalk speaker, author, podcast host, internationally-recognized humanitarian and Founder of **the because I said I would** movement. His work has been featured on the TODAY Show, Good Morning America, the Steve Harvey Show, CNN, Fox News and many other programs. His nonprofit organization, because I said I would, is dedicated to the betterment of humanity through promises made and kept. The program has partnered with schools across the country to develop programs that teach character development and practical skills in honesty, compassion, accountability, and self-control. The because I said I would [High School Chapter Program](#) uses a research-based, full-year curriculum that includes setting personal goals with peer-based accountability support, character development workshops, and service learning projects. If the High School Chapter Program sounds like the right fit for your school and you are interested in learning more, be sure to join us after the speech during Alex's meet and greet. The because I said I would staff will be there to answer your questions. In the meantime, you can get a sneak peek of the organization by visiting: www.becauselsaidIwould.org.

Legislative Meetings

Joint Education Committee: [Updated Meeting Materials](#), November 15-16, 2022

Wyoming Letters About Literature Contest

Wyoming students in grades 4-12 are invited to read, be inspired, and write back to the author (living or dead) of a book that changed their lives. Sponsored by Wyoming Humanities, the [2023 Wyoming Letters About Literature Contest](#) is now open; submissions must be received by January 31, 2023. Wyoming Letters About Literature promotes the excitement and value of reading and writing. Entries will be judged at the state level in three age categories: grades 4-6, grades 7-8, and grades 9-12. Both individual and classroom entries are welcome. Questions may be directed to Lucas Fralick at lucas@thinkwy.org or 307. 660.0729. This contest is presented as part of the Wyoming Center for the Book, now housed with Wyoming Humanities.

Wyoming Digital Learning Plan

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is updating the statewide Digital Learning Plan, which supports school districts in addressing education technology opportunities and priorities. The WDE, with assistance from Marzano Research, will be hosting listening sessions to gather information from educators, parents, students, colleges, businesses, and community members about their digital learning ideas, needs, and hopes. This is your chance to help improve Wyoming's access and use of technology in education. Please click [here](#) for more information and dates for sessions.

UW ECHO in Education

The [UW ECHO in Education](#) networks provide ongoing support for professionals working with students in the PreK-12 setting by offering consistent virtual professional development, specific program planning and evidence-based strategies, allowing participants a real-time option to learn about and share best practices.

News Articles

Does your district have newsworthy of statewide interest? If so, please email your news articles to wsba@wsba-wy.org. The articles will be included in the next weekly WSBA Memo.

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