



# School Board Memo



Week of November 8, 2021

## WSBA Annual Conference

We look forward to seeing everyone from around the state gathered together at the **WSBA Annual Conference** next week. **Please get registered if have not done so yet.** Please note that the conference bags will have materials for the Wyoming Educational Fair inside so please take a look and bring the information with you to the exhibits on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Lots of great prizes to be given away.

More information - including the registration link, cost, preliminary agenda, and presenter lineup - can be found on our [event platform](#), which will be updated regularly as more information becomes available. **Please click [here](#) to see what the Wednesday preconference sessions have to offer.** A block of rooms are available for districts at the [Ramkota](#) and also for those coming in on Wednesday evening for November 17<sup>th</sup> sessions there is a block of rooms at the [Hilton Garden Inn](#).

## Legislative Meetings

**Joint Judiciary Committee:** [Meeting Materials](#), November 11-12, 2021.

**Joint Education Committee:** [Meeting Agenda](#), November 15-16, 2021. (Updated November 2, 2021)

**Joint Appropriations Committee Agency Budget Hearings Schedule:**

December 1-3, 2021 [Meeting Notice & Agenda](#)

December 6-7, 2021 [Meeting Notice & Agenda](#)

December 13-17, 2021 [Meeting Notice & Agenda](#)

January 10-14, 2022 [Meeting Notice & Agenda](#)

January 17-21, 2022 [Meeting Notice & Agenda](#)

## **Wyoming Insight**

The October 2021 issue of the [\*Wyoming Insight\*](#) is available at the State of Wyoming's Economic Analysis Division website <http://eadiv.state.wy.us/>. The *Wyoming Insight* serves as an energy index and business indicators report for the state.

## **Public Comment Open for Driver Education Program Rules Changes**

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) is promulgating changes to Chapter 39 for Driver Education Program Approval. These changes are now open to public comment through December 24, 2021. Chapter 39 Rules were last updated on March 31, 2007. Updates are necessary to address changes in program requirements and modern infrastructure development in Wyoming, such as roundabouts. The proposed changes would authorize Driver Education Program Certificates of Completion signatures to be provided in an electronic format. These accommodations will provide additional flexibility and allow for more effective driver education programs throughout the state.

Members of the School Finance Data Advisory Committee have reviewed these changes.

Comments can be submitted [here](#) or mailed to: Wyoming Department of Education, Attn: Leslie Zimmerschied, 122 W 25th St, Ste E200, Cheyenne, WY 82002. All public comments will be recorded verbatim, including the submitter's name and city of residence. When commenting, specify which section of the rule the comment is concerning. All comments will be recorded and filed with the [Secretary of State's Office](#).

## **Public Comment Sought on Removal of Rules Chapters 4 and 45**

The Wyoming Department of Education invites the public to comment on the proposed removal of Rules Chapters 4 and 45. The Chapter 4 rule set originated in 2008 and is out of date and not relevant at this time. When the rules were created, the legislature designated funding to all districts operating in the red financially regarding nonprofit food service accounts. In order to be eligible for funding, districts were required to follow the rules set forth in Chapter 4. This rule set is proposed to be removed from the agency's list of rules. To submit public comment, review the State of Reasons and the rule changes [here](#) or

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNCcoWryg5ZfOy5r2KEulBdWlx2EDxu9NANIk6yHwHq\\_XnKg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNCcoWryg5ZfOy5r2KEulBdWlx2EDxu9NANIk6yHwHq_XnKg/viewform)

The Chapter 45 rules were adopted due to 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 137, section 6(b) regarding a special education out-of-district placement appropriation. The law only provided funding for one biennium and not renewed. Chapter 45 is proposed to be removed from the agency's list of rules. To submit public comment, review the Statement of Reasons and the rule changes [here](#) or

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## **UW ECHO in Student Health Adverse Childhood Experiences Fall Series**

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are potentially stressful and traumatic events that occur in childhood (0-17 years). They are linked to long-term chronic health conditions, mental illness, and substance use problems in adulthood. ACEs are both common and preventable. Join us for the 7-part [series](#) to learn about the impacts of ACEs and evidence-based trauma-informed early intervention strategies to support students.

## **News Articles**

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

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