

The logo features a stylized mountain range with three peaks. The central peak is the tallest and is colored red. The two flanking peaks are shorter and colored dark blue. The mountains are composed of geometric shapes, primarily triangles and rectangles, creating a textured, blocky appearance.

WYOMING SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

School Board Memo

Week of July 30, 2018

School Board Changes

The **Big Horn County School District No. 3 (Greybull)** Board of Trustees has had two members resign this month, **Cheri Edeler** and **Joe Sylvester**. **Michelle Brown** has been appointed by the board to fill one vacancy and the other will be filled in the next several weeks.

School Board Member Filing

August 8, 2018 is the date that citizens can file to run for school board positions in Wyoming school districts. The filing date ends on August 27, 2018. WSBA provides a publication titled "Becoming A School Board Member: A Guide for School Board Candidates." Please click [here](#) for the publication.

WSBA Regional Meetings

WSBA has set the dates for the Regional (Roundup) meetings. The meetings will be held in weeks during August/September and can be viewed on the [WSBA Calendar](#) or [here](#).

National Recognition

The **Rawlins High School (Carbon County School District No. 1)** Best Buddies program has been named the Most Outstanding Chapter by the International Best Buddies Program. The Rawlins chapter was organized last fall to improve life for all individuals with or without intellectual and developmental disabilities. Students in the program have expanded its reach to the middle and elementary schools. For more information on the Best Buddies program please click [here](#).

Public Comment on Proposed Leader Evaluation Rules

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) seeks public comment on the [Chapter 29 Rules: Evaluation Systems For District And School Leaders And Other Certified Personnel](#). These rules are being revised following the passage of SEA0031 during the 2017 Legislative session, which requires the implementation and administration of a comprehensive leader evaluation system. A rationale for the revisions to these rules can be found in the [Statement of Reasons](#).

Public comment is open through September 15, 2018, and may be submitted [online](#) or mailed to: Wyoming Department of Education, Attn: Laurel Ballard, 122 W. 25th St. Ste E200, Cheyenne WY 82002. All public comments will be recorded, filed and posted on the [Secretary of State website](#) as part of the rules promulgation process.

Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act

[The Hill](#) (7/25, Breland, Brufke) reports a unanimous House on Wednesday passed a final version of the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, sending it to President Trump. Sponsors say the bill “looks to close a skills gap by helping post-secondary students receive on-the-job training in fields short on skilled workers like manufacturing, health care and cybersecurity.” [Education Week](#) (7/25) reports the “bipartisan” bill is an “overhaul of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act,” which “provides funding for job training and related programs for high school students...as well as for students in higher education.”

Mobile Classrooms for STEM Instruction

[EDTECH Magazine](#) (7/25) reports “educators are utilizing education technology to repurpose old trailers and buses to create mobile education spaces, classrooms on wheels where students are able to experience” STEM instruction. “With the help of new tools designed for mobility, such as Cradlepoint access points for internet-connected school buses or smaller portable 3D printers, mobile classrooms are becoming a feasible way for passionate educators to expand their reach.” The approach is also useful “for districts that may not have enough resources to fund state-of-the-art makerspaces or modern classrooms, both for traditional and after-school programs.”

Mark Your Calendars

A free workshop on School Safety will be held on Wednesday, October 3rd at the WCA Training Center in Casper. More details to come!

Wyoming First Lady’s Leaders in Literacy Award

Any Wyoming citizen, organization, business or community may be a Wyoming First Lady’s Leader in Literacy Award nominee. Accomplishments that are noted should reflect substantial contributions made in Wyoming that exemplify a commitment to the literacy development of Wyoming citizens. This is the second year of the Leaders in Literacy Award. Previous Leaders in Literacy recipients will not be eligible for nomination, but nomination of previously unselected nominees is encouraged. Award winners will be announced at the Wyoming Business Alliance meeting in November in Cheyenne. Recipients will receive a \$4000 award and a plaque recognizing the honor. Nominations must be submitted electronically (With attached Word document or PDF) no later than October 1, 2018. Please click [here](#) for more information.

eGovLive!

The 2018 eGovLive Conference is September 13-15, 2018 in Orlando, Florida at the J.W. Marriott Grande Lakes. Registration has been strong so reserve hotel room as soon as possible. The conference rate expires **August 16, 2018**. A special rate of \$149 per night plus a \$25 daily resort fee has been negotiated for conference participants. Visit [J.W. Marriott Grande Lakes](http://www.jwmarriott.com) or call (800) 266-9432 to make reservations. Registration for this conference is free for all BoardDocs subscribers and includes breakfast, lunch and all conference activities. **REGISTER TODAY!** To view the full agenda, [click here](#).

AdvancED Wyoming/Colorado Fall Conference

The 2018 AdvancED Wyoming/Colorado Fall Conference will take place at the University of Wyoming on September 23-25, 2018. This conference will commemorate the 50-year legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who challenged the nation to do better – to improve. Please click [here](#) for event summary and registration.

Summer Hours

The WSBA office has begun summer hours and the office will be closed on Friday afternoons. Enjoy the sunshine and warm weather!!

News Articles

Does your district have news worthy 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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