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July 2023 | The Latest Updates from WSUP

How is July already half over? We hope you have enjoyed this month as much as we have! Don't miss out on all the upcoming conferences and educational opportunities happening over the next couple of months. Also don't forget to take a fresh look at the educational resources available for your district ahead of the start of the semester.

Partnership Updates

Governing Board Meetings

Feel free to review the [minutes and materials from the July Governing Board Meeting](#) to ensure you are up-to-date on discussions and activities pertaining to the Partnership. The next WSUP Governing Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 25, 2023 and will be a hybrid meeting**. A calendar place-holder will be sent out a month prior to the meeting.



Mission, Vision, and Purpose

The mission, vision, and purpose of the Wyoming School-University Partnership is undergoing some revitalization. Please take a moment to read the document outlining our new purpose and if you are a voting member, please be ready to vote on this document at October's meeting.

Any feedback or suggestions can be sent directly to WSUP Director, [Colby Gull](#).

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Education Community Updates



Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps

The second Summer Mentor Institute was held in Laramie on June 20-22. Members of WTMC Cohorts 1 & 2 gathered for three days of mentor training, collaboration, and camaraderie. Mentors receive training in four core competency areas: Assessment, Communication, Feedback, and Work/Life Balance. A special thank you to Annie Griffin from Washakie 2 and Breez Daniels from Hot Springs 1 for their training on student assessment, classroom observations, and measuring effective teaching. We would love to support each school or district in your mentoring work, so let us know how we can help by emailing WSUP Director, [Colby Gull](#).

Districts represented include:

Albany 1, Big Horn 1, Big Horn 3, Carbon 1, Carbon 2, Converse 2, Fremont 1, Goshen 1, Laramie 1, Natrona 1, Park 1, Park 6, Sheridan 1, Sublette 9, Sweetwater 1, Sweetwater 2, Teton 1, Uinta 4, Washakie 1, Washakie 2, and Weston 1.

High Altitude Pathway Summer Institute Highlighted in UW News

The University of Wyoming's Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing in College of Health Sciences partnered with UW TEI's High Altitude Pathway Summer Institute back in June to introduce students to the school's Skills Lab.

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The Artful Craft of Science 2023

The Artful Craft of Science (TACoS), sponsored by MilliporeSigma, is a STEM and Chemistry focused summer camp experience for students going into 5th and 6th grade and is free for those who attend! This year the College of Education hosted 40 students in-person and 40 virtually from across Wyoming, Utah, and North Dakota in four main classes, Chemistry Lab, Chemistry & Art, Engineering, and Computer Science.

For more information please reach out to [Elizabeth McMahan](#).



Upcoming Conferences



SUMMER LAW & LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

AUGUST 3 -4 | LARAMIE, WY

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
ADMINISTRATORS
OTHER K-12 LEADERS



WAVE Conference

The Wyoming Department of Education, Special Education Programs Division, is hosting an in-person Week of Academic Vision for Excellence (WAVE) Conference to be held at the University of Wyoming Gateway Center in Laramie from August 1-3. This conference is relevant to educators, parents, and other Wyoming stakeholders. State and national presenters will cover topics such as literacy, specially designed instruction, behavior/discipline, social/emotional trauma informed care, IEP process, and Special Education law. [Learn more and get registered.](#)



Wyoming Computer Science Education Conference

Join the Computer Science Teacher Association of Wyoming for their 2nd annual Wyoming Computer Science Education Conference August 2-4, 2023 at Sheridan College up in Sheridan, WY. This conference is open to elementary teachers, elementary STEM and Computer Science (CS) teachers, secondary CS teachers, CS and Career Technical Education coordinators, curriculum coordinators, and administrators.

[Learn more about this conference and register here.](#)



Native American Education Conference

Registration is open for the 14th annual Native American Education Conference which is set for 2 pm. on Tuesday, August 8 through 3:30 pm Thursday, August 10, 2023. The conference will be held at Central Wyoming College in Riverton and the theme this year is The Whole Child - Addressing Mental, Emotional, and Physical Needs of Indigenous Students.

[Learn more and get registered.](#)





Safe Student Alliance Conference

Join the Wyoming Department of Education for the Safe Student Alliance Conference happening September 25-26, 2023. This conference aims to bring together administrators, educators, law enforcement, and experts to discuss and address important issues related to student safety and mental health, while providing valuable insights, strategies, and resources. Attendees will receive a \$500 stipend for their attendance.

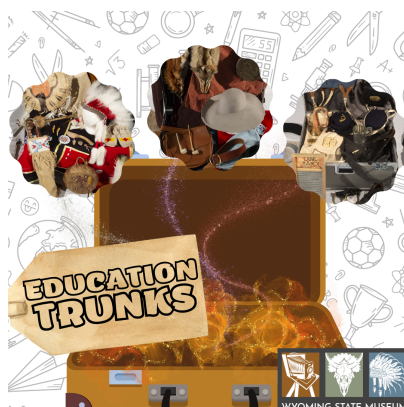
[Learn more and get registered.](#)

Educational Resources To Share



Earlier this month we celebrated our nation's independence. It was the Second Continental Congress who created the Declaration in Philadelphia in June of 1776. A committee that consisted of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Robert Livingston, Roger Sherman, and relied on Thomas Jefferson were tasked with writing the document. Seventeen days later, Thomas Jefferson presented his written work which largely became the Declaration of Independence.

Take a moment to engage with [these educational resources](#) from PBS Learning Media.



Mobile Makerspace 101

Did you know that your district can get a mobile makerspace free of charge in your community or classroom? You also get to keep your maker crates for up to six months and all mobile makerspaces come fully-stocked with the supplies you'll need to use the equipment (except for woodworking) and each makerspace comes with a robust library of workshops, teacher guides, and more.

[Learn more and reserve](#) your mobile makerspace for your district today!

Wyoming State Museum Education Trunks

The Wyoming State Museum's education trunks provide hands-on learning to more than 4,000 students each year. These trunks provide teachers with the materials to deliver engaging lessons to their students, within their own classroom. Each trunk contains human artifacts and animal biofacts from the museum's teaching collection, along with the corresponding curricula to help teachers inspire their students.

[Learn more and reserve](#) your education trunk for the fall semester!

Rocky Mountain Herbarium Classroom Kits

Did you know you can request a K-12 educational kit from the Rocky Mountain Herbarium at the University of Wyoming? The purpose of the kit is to provide a resource for educators who are interested in bringing some aspects of the Herbarium into their classrooms.

[Learn more and request a kit](#) ahead of the start of the semester.

We encourage you to send this newsletter to your network contacts.

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