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## June 2024 | The Latest Updates from WSUP



June has already come and gone, but there is still plenty of summer left to enjoy. Don't miss these important updates and opportunities from the Partnership and our various member organizations.

### Partnership Specific

#### Governing Board Meetings

Review the [minutes and materials from the April 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 July 24, 2024 - UW Casper from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm](#). A calendar placeholder has been sent out.



## Principal Leadership Academy Update

The Principal Leadership Academy sponsored by, the UW College of Education, Wyoming Department of Education, WSUP, Wyoming Association of Secondary School Principals, and Wyoming Association of Elementary & Middle School Principals, will host a two-day new principal training workshop in July and will feature an introduction to principal mentors. If you know someone who is interested in becoming a principal mentor, please contact [Dr. Margaret Hudson](mailto:mhudson@uwyo.edu) at [mhudson@uwyo.edu](mailto:mhudson@uwyo.edu).

## Wyoming Transition Programs Project Update

The Wyoming Transition Programs project, funded by the Ellbogen Foundation, has come to a close. The final update was provided at our April Governing Board meeting with a presentation from Dr. Kristy Palmer and Dr. Leslie Rush who presented the completed case studies from this project. Dr. Kristy Palmer and Dr. Leslie Rush also presented at the State Board of Education on May 16, 2024.

[Please take a moment to read through the case studies.](#)



**VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

**JULY 22-23, 2024**

4-8 PM CT / 5-9 PM ET / 3-7 PM MT / 2-6 PM PT

**NASUP**

**BUILDING ON THE MAGIC  
BY CONNECTING FOR POWERFUL SUP**

**#NASUP2024**

NASUP's inaugural annual summer virtual conference will be held July 22-23, 2024. The conference themed, Building on the Magic by Connecting for Powerful School-University Partnerships, will serve as a platform to share innovative practices, foster robust partnerships, and tackle pressing challenges in education.

[Register Here](#)

## Education Community



### High Altitude Pathways Summer Institute

The High Altitude Pathways program held its annual summer institute at Eastern Wyoming College June 18-20, 2024. The second annual Institute was an overwhelming success with 15 students in attendance. Each student had an opportunity to connect with faculty, learn about programs, engage with career pathways, and bond with other students from around Wyoming. They spent two full days on the EWC campus and received a firsthand taste of what going to college looks like.

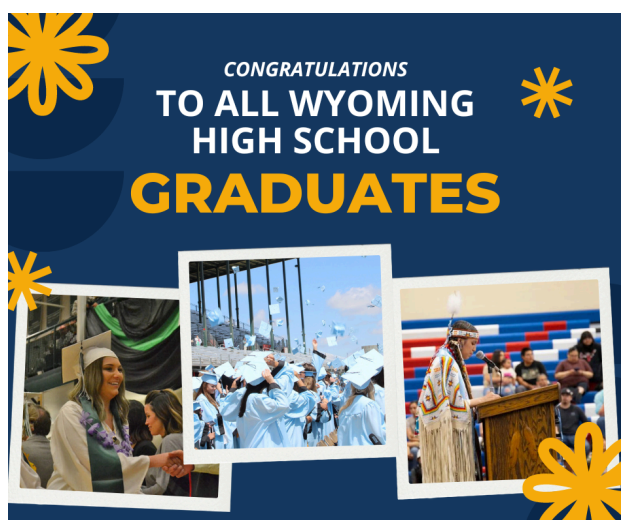
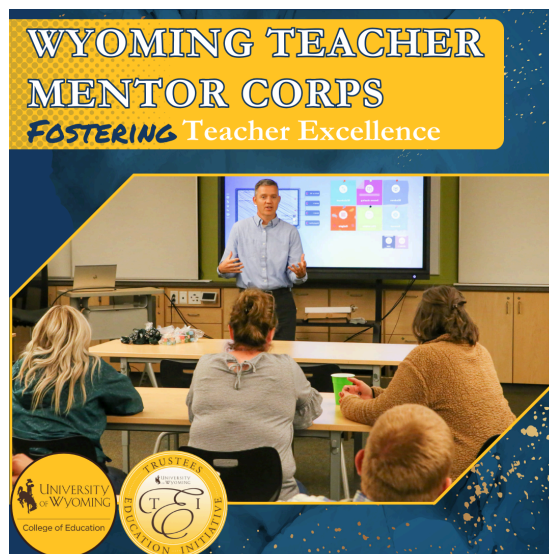
If you are interested in hosting a Summer Institute or any HAP Related activity at your community college campus, please reach out to [Colby Gull](#).



## Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps Summer Retreat

The Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps Cohorts two and three will meet on the University of Wyoming campus this week for their summer retreat. The agenda includes a keynote by Doug Reeves, workshops provided by Solution Tree, and a teacher mentorship barbecue.

[Learn More about WTMC](#)



## Congratulations Wyoming High School Graduates

Hats off to the class of 2024! Your hard work, dedication and perseverance have paid off. Your post-secondary pathways start here and we wish you success and happiness on your next chapter. Cheers to your bright futures ahead!

## TANF Preschool Grant Opens July 1



Interested applicants must submit an Intent to Apply.



## TANF Preschool Grant Opens July 1, 2024

The Wyoming Department of Education Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Preschool Grant opens on July 1, 2024. This grant provides funding to assist in offering free to low-cost preschool. Interested applicants must complete an intent to apply form.

[Learn More](#)

## Upcoming Conferences and PD Opportunities

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## NEW SPED TEACHER BOOTCAMP

July 29- 30, 2024  
Holiday Inn | Riverton

### SPED Teacher Bootcamp

The Special Education Programs invites new special education teachers with three or less years experience for a special training to help support your work. This bootcamp will offer in-depth discussion on topics such as providing FAPE, IEP development, inclusion, classroom strategies, specially designed instruction, high leverage practices, and behavior strategies. This training precedes the 2024 WAVE conference and WDE suggests you attend both for a solid foundation in strategies and best practices.

[Learn more about the SPED Teacher Bootcamp.](#)

[Register Here](#)

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## WAVE CONFERENCE

July 31- August 2, 2024  
Central Wyoming College | Riverton

### WAVE Conference

The Wyoming Department of Education Special Education Programs Division, is pleased to announce their in-person Week of Academic Vision For Excellence Conference to be held July 31-August 2, 2024. The conference will be held at Central Wyoming College in Riverton, WY. This conference is WDE's in-person statewide special education conference for special education directors, administrators, special and general educators, parents, partnering agencies, and other Wyoming stakeholders.

[Learn more about the WAVE Conference.](#)

[Register Here](#)

## Educational Resources & Student Experiences



## Independence Day

The Fourth of July will be celebrated across the country next week and reminds us all of the freedoms we cherish; freedoms which have shaped the trajectory of our country for 245 years.

[Take a moment to learn more about Independence Day.](#)



## National Pride Month

The month of June is recognized nationally as Pride Month. The month of June was chosen to honor the Stonewall Uprising on June 28, 1969 and celebrates the contributions, culture, and rich history of LGBTQ+ Americans. [Take a moment to learn more about Pride Month.](#)



## Juneteenth



Established on June 17, 2021, President Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act to recognize June 19th as a federal holiday which celebrates the day when 250,000 enslaved people in Texas were informed of their freedom three years after the emancipation proclamation.

[Take a moment to read more about the US's newest federal holiday.](#)



## Cultivate Summer Learning

Don't forget to spark curiosity with engaging literacy activities from Wyoming Afterschool Alliance's Summer Learning Toolkit. Help young minds boost their reading, writing, and critical thinking skills in fun and creative ways. Using these resources will give students a jumpstart for the school year and inspire a lifetime of learning.

[Get Started](#)



## Civic Skills Toolkit

Learning To Give equips young people with philanthropy tools and knowledge as they discover what they care about. As we approach the Fourth of July and the election season, their Civic Skills Toolkit offers relevant resources. These resources include background information and project ideas based on engaging responsibly as a citizen, including how government works, following current events, listening to diverse viewpoints, having critical conversations and advocating for a cause.

[Learn More](#)

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