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## September 2023 | The Latest Updates from WSUP

Fall is indeed in the air. As we look ahead, we really only have a few months left before the end of the year. Let's see what we can accomplish in that time with the exciting opportunities taking place in September, October, and November.

### 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 on September 25. Please take the RSVP survey to let us know who plans to attend in person for catering purposes.

[RSVP Here](#)



## District Residency Connections Fair RSVP and New Date

The District Residency Connections Fair (DRCF) is back on October 19th and with a few additions! DRCF 2023 will host a panel discussion with education leadership from around the state and will be emcee'd by Converse County School District 1 Superintendent Paige Fenton-Hughes. It will also host a plethora of representatives from varying spaces on campus and across Wyoming who will provide information on K-12 resources that can be extended to your districts. Finally we plan to host the connections piece of the fair where district personnel will have the opportunity to meet current UW College of Education Students and discuss what residency will look like for them in your respective district.

[RSVP Here](#)

If your district is interested in attending please RSVP no later than Friday October 6, 2023.

## WSUP Best Practices Presentation

We are approaching our October Governing Board meeting. If your district or organization has a Wyoming education best practices presentation that you would like to share, please take a moment to sign-up below.

[Best Practices Sign-up](#)



## Education Community Updates



## WTMC Fall Retreat

The Wyoming Teacher Mentor Corps (WTMC) will be meeting September 26th and 27th for the WTMC Fall Retreat where members of both cohorts will gather to continue their mentor training. Over the past year and a half, 20 teachers from around the state have worked to hone their mentoring skills to support early career teachers. A report will be developed for the recommendations made by Cohort 1.

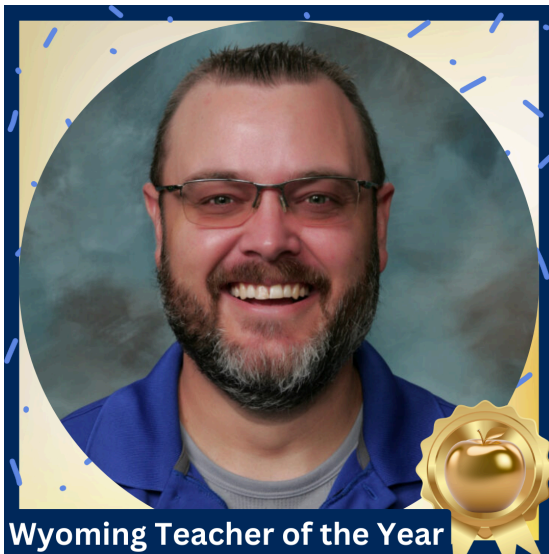
Districts represented include:

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 (HAP) Fall Retreat

On September 11-12, the HAP team held a retreat in Casper. The focus of this retreat was to discuss college and career readiness goals for partner schools in the upcoming school year. In attendance were school counselors, leaders, and career advisors from Torrington, Lingle-Ft Laramie, Southeast, Platte River, Burlington, Rocky Mountain, Rock River, Whiting High Schools, and Central Wyoming College. Additionally, representatives from the College of Education, including Jenna Shim, Alan Buss, Colby Gull, and Nicholas Jesse, coordinated and participated in the event alongside grant partners from College for Every Student. Dean Brent Pickett from UW Casper warmly welcomed the group.





## Wyoming Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to John Corbin, high school social studies teacher at Cody High School, who has been named the 2024 Wyoming Teacher of the Year.

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## Upcoming Conferences and PD Opportunities

### 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.

[Register Here](#)



### Accessible Education Materials (AEM) Free Trainings

Join AEM for two free one-hour virtual trainings this fall. The first training will take place on September 27 from 3-4 pm and will focus on the Intro to AEM. The second training will be offered on October 25 from 3-4 pm and you will learn more about tools and strategies you can start implementing now.

[Learn More & Register](#)





## Wyoming Early Childhood Collaborative Conference

The Early Childhood Collaborative Conference will help create a thriving and growing community of early childhood educators to support Wyoming students children throughout their early development. The conference will include sessions for educators working with infants, preschool-age, school-age, adults and leaders and more! STARS and PTSB credit will be available.

[Learn More & Register](#)



## 2023 Fall Deaf Education Training

Wyoming Department of Education is hosting an event to help educators better support students who are deaf or hard at hearing. The event will take place on October 27 in Casper, WY. The training is geared toward teachers, interpreters, WEII facilitators, and speech Language pathologists and the topic will focus on how to cue and connect it to literacy for students who are Deaf/HH. The event is \$100 to attend.

[Learn More & Register](#)



## Innovations in Learning Conference

Save the date for the 2023 Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference will be held in Saratoga, Wyoming on November 2-3, 2023. This year's conference's theme is Innovations through STEAM and is an exciting opportunity to explore innovative teaching and learning strategies for all modes of delivery. You will have the chance to collaborate with educators of all backgrounds, from kindergarten through college, and witness the latest trends in education.

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## Educational Resources To Share



The Ann Simpson Artmobile travels across the 97,914 square miles of Wyoming sharing museum-quality artwork with communities that may otherwise have limited access to original art. Visits are routinely made to K-12 schools, visitor centers, libraries, senior centers, and other community-accessible locations in towns throughout the state. Find a currently scheduled exhibition near you or arrange for one of the programs to come to your community.

[Learn More](#)



### US Senate Youth Program Application

Applications are being accepted from outstanding high school students currently serving in an elected or appointed leadership position for the United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP). Students selected will gain a unique educational experience and receive a \$10,000 scholarship for their undergraduate studies.

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### US Presidential Scholars Program Application

The Wyoming Department of Education invites school district and high school staff to nominate exceptional graduating high school seniors to be nationally recognized as a Presidential Scholar at the 2024 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

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