



MEMORANDUM NO. 2021-048

TO: School District Superintendents

Curriculum Directors

Virtual Education Coordinators

Principals Teachers

FROM: Kari Eakins, Chief Policy Officer

DATE: April 19, 2021

SUBJECT: Educator Ambassador Professional Learning Opportunity

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP IN **ONLINE LEARNING**

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) and the American Institutes for Research (AIR) seek 12 teacher leaders to serve as Educator Ambassadors for a new professional learning opportunity this fall. This opportunity will provide selected teacher leaders with knowledge and strategies related to virtual learning. Serving as an Educator Ambassador is an opportunity to grow within a professional learning network, while enhancing knowledge and skills in virtual teaching and learning. Educator Ambassadors will receive a \$1,000 honorarium for serving as leaders in the Canvas online community and Learning Collaborations (monthly, interactive meetings with teachers participating in the program), while also receiving support and professional development from AIR.

Educator Ambassador Responsibilities:

- Engage in professional learning and leadership between May 2021 and February 2022.
- Participate in monthly professional learning sessions between May and October 2021.
- Attend the Educator Ambassador kick-off meeting at 4 p.m. on May 13, 2021.
- Take part in the Canvas online community by sharing resources or commenting on at least one post per week.
- Serve as a virtual facilitator for a grade band breakout room once each month between August 2021 and February 2022, excluding December 2021.

- Create and upload two videos to the online community that describe a classroom challenge or demonstrate a strategy.
- Collaborate with the AIR team by consulting with colleagues, sharing feedback and ideas.

Educator Ambassador Qualifications:

- Experience in professional and/or community leadership.
- Experience teaching virtually.
- Proficiency in and/or comfort using Canvas and video recording software or platforms.

To be considered, submit this **application** by 5 p.m. on **Friday, April 30, 2021**.

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