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Dear Friends,

2024 was a year of accomplishment for WAIC. With a full team and a newly branded curriculum, we set new records and have built a level of expectation to carry forward. Along with this Annual Report, you will find our Strategic Plan. I am excited to share it with you as it will be our guiding light for the next few years.

We have reduced our budget in back-to-back years to become more streamlined and efficient and I am proud to say that we are operating at a high level. Thanks to your financial support, we can fulfill our goals. It is important to WAIC that we make you proud of not only our educational successes but our organizational accomplishments as well.

Some of those accomplishments are as follows: 206 total classrooms used Wyo Wonders in school year 2023-24; over 1,000 students were taught a Wyo Wonders lesson from Natrona County between school years 2022-23 and 2023-24; 100% of the schools in Hot Springs and Crook counties use Wyo Wonders; 100% of the 4th graders in Lander were taught a Wyo Wonders lesson; a record 51 educators attended our three summer workshops; and we honored TWO educators from Uinta County as Educator(s) of the Year.

These are FUN to talk about! But we are not done. We still did not get a report back from Weston County showing Wyo Wonders utilization. We can still grow in Laramie County and Sweetwater County. These are just a few areas we are working on.

Your generous funding and assistance to build relationships and networks in your counties will help us continue to grow. Natural resource education is integral for not only our youth, but our population. Wyoming's way of life is important to me, and to this organization. Thank you for helping us get to where we are today.

Here's to continued momentum in 2025.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions.

Andrew Joannides Executive Director Wyoming Agriculture in the Classroom



Powered by Wyoming Agriculture in the Classroom

Wyo Wonders is a supplementary natural resources curriculum targeting students in grades 2-5. The lessons focus on helping students understand Wyoming's core heritage industries and equipping them with critical thinking skills. All Wyo Wonders materials are available as a free resource at wyowonders.org.

Reaching New Heights in Wyoming Classrooms



206 Classrooms taught Wyo Wonders lessons in 2023-2024

13 Schools taught 1,200 Students in Natrona County at least one lesson from Wyo Wonders during 2022-2023 and 2023-2024





100% of the elementary schools in **Crook and** Hot Springs Counties are using Wyo Wonders materials

51 educators attended 3 immersive **professional development** experiences in Evanston, Sundance,

and Ten Sleep

All workshops are **free for educators,** thanks to generous donor support

Record Breaking Workshops





Educator of the Year

Cami Brown and Sarah Butters from Mountain View were honored at the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame Barbeque as Co-Educators of the Year. Thank You to Our Generous Donors!

•Thank you to all our supporters. It is your generosity that has kept us moving forward. We do not take the task of providing agriculture, minerals and energy, and outdoor recreation and tourism education lightly and want our supporters to know our efforts are as diligent as ever. Wyoming Agriculture in the Classroom is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit, and all donations may be tax deductible.

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Assets

Cash & Equivalents\$3,198,889.46 Receivables.....\$49,210.33 Net Fixed Assets....\$289,595.96

Investments

Legacy Endowment......\$2,435,469.47 Deposit.....\$0 TOTAL ASSETS.....\$5,973,165.22

Liabilities

Payroll Liabilities.....\$10,272.40 Deferred Income.....\$2,016,977.37 Payables....\$228,639.44 TOTAL LIABILITIES.....\$2,255,889.21

Net Assets

Unrestricted.....\$1,523,328.24 Restricted Legacy Endowment.....\$2,193,947.77

TOTAL NET ASSETS.....\$3,717,276.01

Total Liabilities

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Our Mission

To develop students' understanding of Wyoming's vast resources in order that they become informed citizens, capable of serving as stewards for Wyoming's future.

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