

On August 18, the Wyoming Education Association filed suit against the State of Wyoming, asserting that the state has violated the Wyoming Constitution by failing to fund public schools adequately. WEA's complaint contends that by failing to grant periodic external cost adjustments (ECAs) and underfunding the state's education model—even disregarding the state's own commissioned experts' recommendations for funding—the Legislature is violating the Wyoming Constitution and failing to fulfill its legal responsibility to fund a high quality, equitable, **cost-based** public education system.

WHY IS WEA SUING THE STATE?

Students and educators are suffering because of underfunding. Our state is beginning to lose our most talented education employees to other states offering better salaries and working conditions. Teachers and Education Support Professional (ESP) positions (i.e. bus drivers, paraeducators, custodians, and nutrition services workers) are seeing record turnover because of low wages and unfair workloads.

Our students deserve better. They have been getting by with too little for too long.

This legal action means that your Association is fighting for you and your students. It means that the WEA is holding policymakers accountable to their Constitutional duty to uphold their constituents' will to prioritize and protect Wyoming's high-quality, equitable public schools.

WHAT DO WE STAND TO GAIN?

Funding a cost-based education model ensures that all Wyoming public schools can offer students:



QUALITY, QUALIFIED EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS



SAFE, MODERN LEARNING SPACES



RELEVANT MATERIALS, CURRICULA, AND SUPPLIES



WRAP-AROUND SERVICES THAT SERVE THE WHOLE CHILD LEARNING MODEL

SUPPORT YOUR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION AS WE FIGHT FOR OUR STUDENTS.



Join WEA and stand in solidarity with your professional Association as we fight for justice for our students! Scan the QR code or visit join.nea.org to join now!