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To: District Administrators, CESA Administrators, Independent Charter

**School Administrators** 

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Subject: 2023-24 Peer Review and Mentoring Grant Applications Available

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The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) invites public school districts, independent charter schools, and Cooperative Educational Service Agencies (CESAs) to apply for the 2023-24 Peer Review and Mentoring Grant (PRMG) competitive grant program.

The PRMG supports the development of peer review and mentoring programs for beginning teachers in Wisconsin public schools. Research shows that peer review (observation of practice by a peer educator) and mentoring, when well implemented, can improve educator practice and, thereby, student outcomes. Peer review and mentoring programs are especially important and effective for educators in the beginning years of their career (Gray, L., and Taie S. 2015; Haynes, Mariana. PhD. 2014).

New application materials, including the PI-1657 form, application guidelines, rubric, and other resources are now available on the DPI PRMG webpage at: <a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/educator-development-support/support-development/peer-review-mentoring-grants">https://dpi.wi.gov/educator-development-support/support-development/peer-review-mentoring-grants</a>.

Applications will be due at 11:59 p.m., May 1, 2023. DPI will not accept late applications. Submission guidelines and details will be available on the DPI PRMG webpage. Only consortia of public school districts, independent charter schools, and CESAs may apply. CESAs may apply independently. No other agencies (private schools, institutions of higher education, etc.) are eligible.

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