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**(Wyo.)-AP Analysis Shows School Superintendents Outearn Governor**



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CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - An analysis reveals that public school superintendents in Wyoming earn an average salary of about \$130,000 a year - well above the amount paid to the governor.

The Associated Press review also shows Wyoming school chiefs make about \$22,000 a year more than the average earned by Colorado superintendents.

Nationally, public school superintendents were paid an average of about \$156,000 in 2008-09.

Wyoming is undertaking an ambitious public education reform initiative focused on improving academic achievement rather than on how the state is spending some \$1 billion a year on K-12 education.

Dan Stephan, of the Wyoming Association of School Administrators, says the salaries of all Wyoming educators have increased, and local school boards understand how good leadership relates to student achievement.

Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead is paid \$105,000.