# GEARUP

# **GEAR UP Wyoming**

# **Participant Agreement**



Welcome to GEAR UP Wyoming! By working together, academic success and college completion are within your reach.

## What can you expect from GEAR UP Wyoming?

- Academic support through high school graduation and your first year of college (within Wyoming)
- ❖ A plan for high school graduation and completion of the Hathaway Success Curriculum
- Support in maximizing ACT scores
- Opportunities for college visits
- Assistance in understanding and completing college applications, financial aid forms, (including the FAFSA) and scholarship applications
- Family events
- Opportunities to gain leadership skills and have new, exciting experiences!
- All services provided free of charge

## What does GEAR UP Wyoming expect of you and your family?

- ❖ A desire to attend an accredited 2- or 4-year college, trade school or university and the willingness to work toward this goal
- Open communication about your education goals and college, trade school, or university plans.
- ❖ Maintaining a GPA of 2.5 is suggested to ensure college acceptance & academic success. GEAR UP Participant will meet with GEAR UP staff if GPA falls below 2.5 to discuss opportunities to improve GPA.
- ❖ Participation in GEAR UP Wyoming events:
  - o Attend at least two GEAR UP activities per semester, in addition to any required meetings
  - o Meet individually with GEAR UP staff at least twice per semester
  - o Take one practice ACT test prior to January of your junior year. GEAR UP can provide ACT support
  - o Attend one academic enrichment academy and one college visit before high school graduation to earn points towards GEAR UP Scholarships.
  - o Submit the FAFSA during your senior year and during your first year in college
- ❖ Take classes as outlined in the Hathaway Success Curriculum
- ❖ Complete a GEAR UP survey when required
- ❖ A parent/guardian will attend at least 2 events per year
- Always demonstrate kindness and respect to GEAR UP participants, staff, and volunteers!

It is important that we are all active, engaged members of GEAR UP Wyoming. Therefore, participation in GEAR UP events and services is mandatory and failure to meet participation requirements may result in being released from the program.

### I have read and understand the GEAR UP program expectations:

GEAR UP Participant Signature	Date
PARENT/GUARDIAN Signature	Date
GEAR UP Staff Signature	Date

GEAR UP Wyoming is funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education totaling \$4,019,424 annually with an additional \$4,019,424 annually provided by in-kind and scholarship contributions.