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### Rep. votes 'no' on bill to freeze Common Core

Risk of returning to No Child Left Behind too high

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

The House of Representatives voted Tuesday to reject a bill that would freeze the Common Core State Standards, a set of national educational benchmarks that have been adopted by 45 states and the District of Columbia.

The bill, H.R. 1592, was introduced by Rep. Lou Lomax (R-W.V.) and would prevent any state from changing its standards until 2018. Lomax said the bill was necessary to protect states from federal overreach.

The House vote was 217-207. The Senate has not yet acted on the bill.

### Be Liberal group begins training process

Communities either grow or die, says activist

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

A group of activists in Wyoming City is beginning a training process to help communities in the area grow or die, says a local activist.

The group, known as the Be Liberal group, is focused on helping communities in the area to become more self-sufficient and to attract new businesses and residents.

The group will be holding a series of training sessions over the next few weeks, focusing on topics such as community development, economic development, and social entrepreneurship.

### Technology gives birth to virtual schooling

Students learn from home

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

Technology is giving birth to virtual schooling, allowing students to learn from home.

Virtual schooling, also known as online learning, allows students to take courses through a computer or tablet. This type of learning is becoming increasingly popular as technology advances.

Virtual schooling offers several advantages, including the ability to learn at one's own pace, the ability to learn from anywhere, and the ability to learn from a variety of resources.

### Hospital seeking focus group participants

Study on patient satisfaction

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

A local hospital is seeking focus group participants for a study on patient satisfaction.

The study is being conducted by a research firm and will involve a series of focus groups with patients and their families. The study will help the hospital identify areas for improvement and develop strategies to enhance the patient experience.

Interested individuals can contact the research firm at [phone number].

### Trampoline takes off over houses, ends up in tree

Accident in Wyoming City

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

A trampoline took off over a house and landed in a tree in Wyoming City, according to a local resident.

The incident occurred on Tuesday afternoon. The trampoline was being used in a backyard when it suddenly became airborne and landed in a large tree.

The resident said the trampoline was not damaged and was retrieved from the tree. No one was injured in the incident.

### 2013 Kansas Convention Business publishes blueprints on page Friday, the 14, in Wichita, Kansas

Blueprints for development

By KIMBERLY HARRIS  
WYOMING CITY

The 2013 Kansas Convention Business publishes blueprints on page Friday, the 14, in Wichita, Kansas.

The blueprints are a set of plans for a new development project in Wichita. The project is being developed by a local business and is expected to be completed in the next few years.

The blueprints show the layout of the development, including the location of buildings, parking lots, and other facilities.

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