

Next Steps January 2018 Newsletter



Career Technical Education Helps Students Prepare for the Future

Students at Idaho's public high schools have the chance to get hands-on experience and explore careers that might interest them, all while earning credit toward graduation.

Whether a student is interested in learning about the business side of running the family farm, how to market and sell a product, or even how to take care of their own car, there's a Career Technical Education (CTE) program that applies. Now, students can learn more about CTE options on the Next Steps Website. While not all schools offer every Idaho CTE program, online courses are also available through the Idaho Digital Learning Academy. [LEARN MORE.](#)

Other News

SPEAKING OF THE FUTURE – WHAT'S YOURS?

Since launching this fall, Future Findr has been used by thousands of Idahoans, students and adults alike, to learn how their skills and interests might translate into a rewarding career. Users can get a sense of possible job responsibilities for their career matches, an idea about earning potential, and can see where, in Idaho, they can study to get the education they need. If you haven't taken the Future Findr quiz, visit

today to see what your future holds! [TAKE THE QUIZ](#).

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP: DEADLINE APPROACHING

Spring can be a busy time for graduating seniors. The deadlines start to mount and it's easy to lose track of when the FAFSA and college and scholarship applications are due. If your students need help keeping an eye on those deadlines, send them to Next Steps to download our [Admissions Tracker](#). They can print the PDF or use an Excel file to keep a digital version.

It's important that students complete the FAFSA as early as possible, and get their applications in for the State's Opportunity Scholarship before March 15, 2018. This scholarship is need and merit based, and open to students who:

- Are Idaho residents
- Have graduated or will graduate from an Idaho high school
- Have a minimum GPA of a 3.0
- Complete a 2018-19 FAFSA by March 1, 2018
- If selected, must attend an eligible Idaho college or university

Students can receive up to \$3,500 per year for four years.

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Events

ISU SPRING CAREER FAIR

This Career Fair focuses on helping students find full-time/part-time summer employment as well as part-time cooperative education and internship opportunities. It is also an excellent opportunity for students to gather information that will aid in planning their career.

WED, FEBRUARY 21
9AM-2PM
ISU POND STUDENT
UNION BALLROOM

BSU SPRING CAREER FAIR

Meet with employers face-to-face, gather information, network and seek possible internship and/or career opportunities.

WED, FEBRUARY 28
9AM - 3PM
BSU STUDENT UNION
JORDAN BALLROOM

ISU EDUCATION CAREER FAIR

The annual Education Career Fair gives students involved in areas of education the opportunity to interview with employers and to explore the different areas of education careers. School districts also hire non-education majors: Nursing, Counseling, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Social Work, Speech Pathology, and IT.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30
10AM - 1PM
ISU POND STUDENT
UNION BALLROOM

Important Links

Check out Next Steps [grade-level checklists](#) and share them with students.

Learn more about the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship and all of the [scholarships available](#) from the Idaho State Board of Education.

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