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IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ARE MAKING COLLEGE PLANS NOW

(BOISE). Seventy (70) high schools throughout the State of Idaho are dedicating time this week to help their seniors complete college admission applications as part of College Application Week, November 9th -13th. At each participating high school, staff and volunteers are helping students research higher education options and complete the necessary forms to begin the admission process.

"More and more jobs in Idaho are requiring a postsecondary certificate or degree," said Matt Freeman, Executive Director of the Idaho State Board of Education. "Through college application week, students can receive additional resources to learn about different college and university degree programs and complete the admissions application for the institution that can help them achieve their goals."

The initiative has received support from Idaho Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter with his proclamation declaring November 9-13, 2015, College Application Week in Idaho. This is the third year the Idaho State Board of Education has sponsored College Application Week. Site coordinators at each of the 70 participating high schools assist seniors with completing at least one admission form to any public or private higher education institution. The number of participating high schools has more than tripled since 2013 when 21 high schools participated. Forty-one (41) high schools participated in 2014, with 4,422 seniors submitting 7,239 admission applications.

College Application Week, along with other State Board initiatives, including Direct Admissions, the nextsteps.idaho.gov website and the Opportunity Scholarship, are being implemented to assist Idaho students with enrollment in postsecondary education. More information about College Application Week and the other initiatives can be found on the Idaho State Board of Education website (www.boardofed.idaho).

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