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**BOARD POLICY GUARANTEES AP EXAM CREDIT
ACCEPTED AT ALL IDAHO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

Idaho high school students who earn a three or higher on any Advanced Placement (AP) exam will earn college credit at all public Idaho institutions under a policy approved by the Idaho State Board of Education during this week’s Board meeting in Pocatello.

“This policy provides greater alignment on how credits will count at institutions across our state,” State Board President Dr. Linda Clark said. “It is part of the Board’s “systemness” approach to ensuring common standards and practices as outlined in Gov. Otter’s Higher Education Task Force recommendations.”

The State Board has increased focus on identifying and removing barriers in the system to ease students’ transition from high school to college, and to make it easier for students to transfer from one institution to another.

“In the past, we’ve had kind of a patchwork approach to how Advance Placement exam credit can be granted across the state and what the minimum thresholds are,” State Board Chief Academic Officer Randall Brumfield said. “This policy ensures that any AP exam that is taken, if that student scores at least a three, then the exam will count toward their college degree regardless of their major.”

For Advanced Placement exams, a score of three is considered equivalent to a grade of “C”, and a score of five is equivalent to an “A”.

The State of Idaho makes available \$4,125 per student in grades 7 through 12 to use toward covering costs of Advanced Opportunities while in high school. Advanced Opportunities include AP exams and dual credit courses.

For more information, visit the State Board website: <https://boardofed.idaho.gov> and click on the *Advanced Opportunities* link under *K-12 Education*.

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