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## **IDAHO GOVERNOR TO PROCLAIM “NEXT STEPS” MONTH IN IDAHO**

Idaho Governor Brad Little will visit Boise High School next week where he will proclaim October “Next Steps” Month in Idaho.

Boise High students, State Board of Education Member Andrew Scoggin, State Board Executive Director Matt Freeman and Boise High and Boise School District administrators will join the Governor for the proclamation signing.

**When:** Tuesday, October 1, 2019  
**Where:** Boise High School main entrance  
**Time:** 12:45 p.m.

More than 18,000 high school seniors throughout Idaho are receiving letters this week from the Idaho State Board of Education informing them that they have been automatically accepted either to six - or all eight of Idaho’s public colleges and universities.

“Starting October 1, those seniors will be able to take the next step by going to [nextsteps.idaho.gov](http://nextsteps.idaho.gov) and applying to Idaho colleges and universities they are interested in attending,” State Board College and Career Planning Program

Manager Byron Yankey said. “We appreciate Governor Little’s help in getting the word out to students and parents about this great opportunity to apply to college or a career-technical program free of charge and to take the next steps toward a rewarding career.” Yankey also noted that educators, parents and students can find resources on [nextsteps.idaho.gov](http://nextsteps.idaho.gov) explaining the many things students can do in October to start planning their future, from learning about financial aid and scholarships to attending a career and college event to taking a quiz that helps match their skills and interests with possible careers.

Last year, 47 percent of Idaho’s graduating high school seniors used the Next Steps website to apply to college in Idaho.

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