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**BOARD TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING FRIDAY TO DISCUSS
CORONAVIRUS**

The Idaho State Board of Education has scheduled a special Board meeting by telephone on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 4 p.m. (MDT) to discuss the coronavirus situation with the presidents of Idaho’s higher education institutions.

Also, the Board will hold its April 15-16 Board meeting remotely rather than meet in-person at the University of Idaho in Moscow as originally planned.

“Our institutions have been planning for some time regarding implications for campus operations in the wake of this public health crisis,” Board President Debbie Critchfield said. “I continue to be in contact with the Governor, institution presidents and other state officials. Ultimately, it will be up to the full Board to decide what steps should be taken regarding higher education, including if closures are warranted and if so, when.”

Friday’s special Board meeting by telephone will originate at the Board’s Boise office. The Board requests those interested in listening to call the number listed below.

4 p.m. call: **(877) 820-7829**; participation code: **9096313**

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