



Rural and Underserved Educator Incentive Program (RUEIP)

The Rural and Underserved Educator Incentive Program is designed to support educator retention in schools identified as experiencing critical workforce challenges.

Program Administration

- Incentive payments are contingent upon annual legislative appropriations.
- Recipients must comply with program requirements and deadlines established by the State Board of Education.
- Deadlines include submission of participant updates, loan payment, and educational expenses.
- Federal education loans are prioritized before reimbursement of eligible educational expenses.
- Payments may be delayed, reduced, paused, or discontinued due to changes in appropriations.

Eligibility and Ranking

Educators must be employed at a school meeting the criteria pursuant to Section 33-6503, Idaho Code. Eligible educators are assigned points and ranked based on total points earned.

Final cohort selection is determined annually based on available legislative appropriations.

Program Flexibility

Qualifying criteria and point values may be applied annually to reflect program priorities and available funding.

Scoring Rubric – Points Distribution

Category	Status	Points
Title I School	Eligible - Schoolwide	4
	Eligible - Targeted	2
	Not Eligible	0
Rural School (NCES)	Remote	4
	Distant	2
	Fringe	1
Rural District (§33-319)	Yes	1
	No	0
Separate School	Meets statutory definition	2
	Does not meet definition	0