

College Resources

Next Steps Idaho

<https://nextsteps.idaho.gov/education-training/2-4-year-college>

This website provides access to college resources, apprenticeship resources, and beginning career resources. The link above directs to the college portion of the website. On this page there is information on different colleges in Idaho, costs of college, and financial assistance options. At the bottom of this page you will find more external links to resources from how to prepare for college to college exam prep.

Along with the information above, Next Steps Idaho has a resource page dedicated to scholarships. The link is below.

<https://nextsteps.idaho.gov/scholarship-discovery-center>

Idaho LAUNCH

<https://nextsteps.idaho.gov/launch>

Idaho LAUNCH offers high school seniors a one-time opportunity to have 80% - up to \$8,000 - of their tuition and fees paid for at an eligible institution. Students must enroll in apprenticeships, job training, community college, and university programs that lead to in-demand careers.

Apply Idaho

<https://nextsteps.idaho.gov/apply-idaho>

Apply Idaho is a free, common application platform for up to 10 in-state colleges. Open October through June, this application is ONLY available to current-year Idaho high school seniors.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

FAFSA is created and coordinated by the U.S. Department of Education, and is free to fill out and submit. Nearly all colleges and career schools use the FAFSA to determine how much aid to offer each student. Financial aid funds are disbursed along a sliding scale of need and merit; the FAFSA is the most comprehensive and secure method of confirming a student's position on that scale. The federal government verifies the student's information, but it is the colleges and/or programs that a student applies to that will use the info to dole out financial aid awards.

National Association for College Admission Counseling

https://www.nacacnet.org/student/?_ga=2.212876246.313818760.1722445004-1124442281.1722445004

This website's student page has a multitude of resources. They have them broken down into categories as you scroll down the page. College fairs with locations, dates, times, a PDF guide to the college admissions process, and even a collection of podcasts that discuss college admissions.