# Early Childhood Care & Education

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# I. Message from the Dean

Dear College of Technology Student,

Congratulations on your decision to pursue your education at the Idaho State University College of Technology. On behalf of all faculty, staff, and administration, I want to take this opportunity to personally extend a warm welcome. Our mission is to provide you with the skills, knowledge, and abilities to be successful in your chosen career.

I am pleased to see that you made the decision to join the largest, most comprehensive postsecondary technical institution in the state of Idaho. You now belong to a college that boasts an alumni base of more than 23,000. For more than 100 years, students have graduated from Idaho State University with the technical skills necessary to successfully enter the workforce. I am confident that you will also be prepared by our faculty to pursue your passion and have an enjoyable lifetime career.

Amid the excitement of enrolling at Idaho State University, you probably have many questions. This student handbook has been prepared for your use and contains the answers to many of your questions. If you would like additional information, please contact your faculty or Student Services directly. We are all here to help you succeed in your studies and stand prepared to assist you with your concerns.

Once again, welcome to the College of Technology.

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Go Bengals!

Jerry Anhorn

Dean

### II. Program Introduction

This handbook is designed to provide information and serve as a resource for most questions and school situations you may encounter as a student in the Early Childhood Care & Education program. The information provided in this handbook is meant to supplement that provided in the Idaho State University Handbook and Official Student Code of Conduct.

All students are directly responsible to the instructors first. Details regarding program procedures will be covered and questions answered during orientation at the beginning of the program or as the need arises. Problems of any nature will be brought to the attention of the instructors and program coordinator. They will seek assistance for a student problem. If a student feels a need for a conference with someone other than an instructor or the program coordinator, a meeting may be arranged with a student success navigator from the College of Technology Student Services at (208) 282-2622.

#### Program Administration

The Early Childhood Care and Education program is operated by the College of Technology, Idaho State University. The program works in cooperation with the Idaho Career & Technical Education and is approved by the State Board of Education.



Early Childhood Higher Education Programs

The Early Childhood Care & Education program is accredited through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

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#### **Program Information**

#### **Degrees/Certificates Offered**

Basic Technical Certificate
 Intermediate Technical Certificate
 Associate of Applied Science
 Early Childhood Care and Education
 Early Childhood Care and Education

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the Idaho State University, College of Technology, Early Childhood Care and Education Associate Degree Program is to meet the specific training needs of early childhood care and education personnel working in child care centers, family child care homes, Head Start programs, and private preschool programs by educating individuals in the theory, practice, and policies necessary for quality care and education of children from birth to eight years of age.

#### **Program Objective**

This program will provide students with the skills and knowledge to be responsible for meeting the specific needs of a group of children by nurturing the children's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs; setting up and maintaining the early care and education environment; and establishing a liaison relationship between families and the program.

#### **Student Learning Outcomes**

#### 1. To promote child development by:

- Knowing and understanding young children's characteristics and needs, from birth through age 8.
- b. Knowing and understanding the multiple influences on early development and learning.
- c. Using developmental knowledge to create healthy, respectful, supportive, and challenging learning environments for young children.

#### 2. To build family and community relationships by:

- a. Knowing about and understanding diverse family and community characteristics.
- b. Supporting and engaging families and communities through respectful, reciprocal relationships.
- c. Involving families and communities in young children's development and learning.

# 3. To use observation, documentation, and assessment to support young children and families by:

- a. Understanding the goals, benefits, and uses of assessment including its use in development of appropriate goals, curriculum, and teaching strategies for young children.
- b. Knowing about and using observation, documentation, and other appropriate assessment tools and approaches, including the use of technology in documentation, assessment and data collection.
- Understanding and practicing responsible assessment to promote positive outcomes for each child, including the use of assistive technology for children with disabilities.
- Knowing about assessment partnerships with families and with professional colleagues to build effective learning environments.

#### 4. To use developmentally appropriate approaches by:

- a. Understanding positive relationships and supportive interactions as the foundation of their work with young children.
- b. Knowing and understanding effective strategies and tools for early education, including appropriate uses of technology.
- c. Using a broad repertoire of developmentally appropriate teaching/learning approaches.
- d. Reflecting on own practice to promote positive outcomes for each child.

#### 5. To use content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum by:

- a. Understanding content knowledge and resources in academic disciplines.
- b. Knowing and using the central concepts, inquiry tools, and structures of content areas/academic disciplines.

c. Using own knowledge, appropriate early learning standards, and other resources to design, implement, and evaluate developmentally meaningful and challenging curriculum for each child.

#### 6. To become a professional by:

- a. Identifying and involving self with the early childhood field.
- b. Knowing about and upholding ethical standards and other early childhood professional guidelines.
- c. Engaging in continuous, collaborative learning to inform practice; using technology effectively with young children, with peers, and as a professional resource.
- d. Integrating knowledgeable, reflective, and critical perspectives on early education.
- e. Engaging in informed advocacy for young children and the early childhood profession.

#### III. Policies & Procedures

#### **Attendance Policy**

Every student is expected to attend class on a regular basis. It is also expected that the student has made prior arrangements to meet other life responsibilities so that a job, childcare responsibilities, anticipated medical treatments or any other commitments are not an accepted excuse for absence for any class during the normal class day. Should the student not be able to attend for any reason, the student is responsible for contacting the department or instructor, at 282-4637 or 282-2780 before 12:00 p.m. If the student is absent on the day an exam is scheduled or an unannounced quiz is given, the exam/quiz cannot be made up unless the instructor is contacted prior to the absence and arrangements are made. Three absences each semester are allowed without penalty for day-time technical certificate students; one absence each semester is allowed without penalty for one night per week courses. Excessive absences will require a doctor's note to verify illness. Attendance may count as much as 20% of each course grade.

The attendance policy also applies to the practicum site. Practicum attendance is a student responsibility for the course and is expected to conform to the work schedule the student has submitted to the instructor. Because most center policies and licensing regulations state that individuals who are ill should not come to work for the health of all in the program, 3 absences due to illness per semester are allowed without penalty. The first three days of absence will be recorded for this purpose. Days missed after 3 will count against attendance credit. Students always have the right to discuss extenuating circumstances with the instructor and request make-up assignments. It is the instructor's prerogative to determine the reasonableness of the request and grant it or not. Attendance at practicum is required to receive credit for each course.

NOTE: Employers are very interested in a student's attendance and study habits because it reflects how he/she will perform on the job. Representatives from business and industry on the program's advisory committee have asked that an attendance policy be established to develop good work habits.

**Tardies:** Tardy means arriving late or leaving early from class. Accumulating three (3) tardies will equal one (1) absence. Three or more tardies will be subtracted from attendance points. Missing more than half a class will count as an absence.

#### **Grading Policy**

All practical and theoretical competencies must be evaluated by the instructor for each individual and the applicable degree of competency must be achieved in each course. Grading Scale:

Letter Grade	Percent	Points
Α	93-100	4.0
A-	90-92.9	3.7
B+	87-89.9	3.3
В	83-86.9	3.0
B-	80-82.9	2.7
C+	77-79.9	2.3
С	73-76.9	2.0
C-	70-72.9	1.7
D+	67-69.9	1.3
D	63-66.9	1.0
D-	60-62.9	0.7
F	Below 60	0.0

#### General Disclaimer

NOTE: Licensure, certification, and/or employment applications related to some degree programs require students to disclose any history of criminal prosecution which may include the student's driving record. Students who have a criminal history are strongly encouraged to contact the licensing agency or meet with the coordinator of the program they are interested in, prior to beginning classes, to discuss potential impediments to licensure, certification, or employment.

#### Program Information

a. Intermediate Technical classes are held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm. A minimum of eighteen hours of on-the-job or assigned practicum placement in an early childhood care and education site is required each week. Associate Degree classes are held Monday and Tuesday from 5:30 – 7:30 or 8:30 pm each semester. AAS degree students must have access to a group of children. Basic Technical classes are on-line with

- occasional Zoom sessions on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Eight hours per week of work with young children in a group setting is required.
- b. There are periodic workshops and other professional development projects during the year which may have different hours. Students will be notified in advance of workshops so that they may make the necessary arrangements for attendance, which is mandatory. Additional costs may be incurred by the student.
- c. Stealing, Cheating, Dishonesty, and other violations of the student code of conduct will be handled on an individual basis. Students should familiarize themselves with the ASISU Student Code Handbook, and calendar available at Student Services.
- d. Using, possessing, or being under the influence of illicit drugs or alcoholic beverages during school hours is prohibited.
- e. The program has materials and equipment available for check out for use in early childhood classrooms. Students are encouraged to check out materials on a regular basis. ALL MATERIALS CHECKED OUT TO STUDENTS ARE TO BE RETURNED TO THE PROGRAM IN GOOD CONDITION AND ARE CONSIDERED THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT UNTIL THE MATERIALS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO INSTRUCTORS AND SIGNED IN BY THE STUDENT. Students will be responsible to replace any materials that are not returned in a timely manner, are returned with missing pieces, or are damaged. If materials are not replaced, transcripts will be held until obligations are met.
- f. Students are expected to be appropriate in their style of dress and general personal hygiene. No shirts with violent or scary graphics should be worn when working with children. Sweat/yoga pants are not considered professional attire and should not be worn to practicum sites.
- g. Cell phone use will not be allowed during class time. If a student has a need to have his/her cell phone out during class for an emergency etc., the student must speak with the instructor before class. A mid-class break will be provided and phones may be used during this time. If the instructor sees the student using any technological device for non-class related purposes, points will be deducted from the student's attendance grade.
- h. A grade of "C" or better is required in each 100 level course as a prerequisite to the following courses each semester. All courses from fall semester are prerequisite to the spring semester. Students must complete each ECCE course and English 1101 (1102) with a grade of "C" (73% or better) in order to continue in the program.

**Course Assignments:** ALL course assignments are due before class begins (i.e. finishing at your desk as assignments are being turned in is considered late) as scheduled on the course syllabus.

Assignments that are turned in one to six days late will be given a 20% deduction in points. Assignments that are turned in one week late will be given a 50% deduction in points.

No assignments will be accepted after one week beyond the deadline unless there are extreme extenuating circumstances and arrangements have been made with the instructor.

#### **Grades for Intermediate Technical Certificates:**

- Course Attendance/Reading Assignments 10%
- Course Assignments 60%
- Tests and Quizzes 10%
- Practicum 20%

Grades for Associate of Applied Science degree courses and Basic Technical Certificate courses will be per course syllabus.

**Books:** Specified text books will be required during each class period. (See book and tool list, or syllabi). There is a minimal class fee for selected courses throughout the program.

**Homework:** You are expected to use outside time for study of subject matter for each course. Access to reliable internet, computer, and printer is required for all courses.

#### Quizzes and Tests

Tests will be given periodically throughout each session. Adequate advance notice will be provided.

Quizzes may be given at any time and without notice.

#### Practicum

- a. Conduct in the practicum site is to be professional at all times and in harmony with the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct. Inappropriate behavior can result in suspension from the program. All certificate students are required to participate in eighteen hours per week supervised practicum training in a child care/education site. Credit for non-classroom practicum hours are limited to no more than 2 hours a week.
- b. Competencies related to NAEYC associate degree program standards are to be designated by the instructor and used as objectives for each course. Students will receive a practicum observation rubric outlining practicum competencies for

- each course. Grades are based on instructors' on- site observations of students and site lead teacher/director student evaluations.
- c. Practicum placement will be made at the beginning of the fall semester. During the fall semester, all students may have experience with infants, toddlers, and preschool children. During the spring semester, students will choose, based on availability, the age group with whom they will spend the entire spring semester. Additionally, students will be required to observe different age groups and a variety of Early Childhood Programs.
- d. Attendance and tardiness policies for practicum are stated in the ECCE Student Handbook, page 5. Practicum time sheets are kept from Monday –Friday weekly and are due on the first class meeting of each week.
- e. Listed below are offenses for which one warning will be given. Subsequent offenses may be grounds for dismissal from the work/practicum site and the program.
  - Inability to perform job tasks
  - Violation of site personnel policies
  - Insubordination
  - Abusive or improper treatment of coworkers, including gossip (see NAEYC Code of Ethics)
  - Excessive absenteeism or tardiness as stated in the student handbook
  - Breach of confidentiality
- f. Neglect, verbal harassment, or physical abuse of any child will be grounds for dismissal from the work/practicum site and the program.
- g. Dismissal from a work/practicum site for other reasons may also result in dismissal from the Early Childhood Care & Education program.

#### Early Childhood Care & Education Associate Degree Students

All policies regarding attendance, assignments, grading and general program information as outlined on pages 5-8 of this handbook apply. The following are specific to students working toward the Associate Degree in ECCE and taking CHLD 210, 215, 220 and 250.

All courses in the ECCE major must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Students must maintain an overall 2.0 GPA in all other courses to graduate.

Classes meet in the evening (or on an individual basis for CHLD 250) and may be offered at distance sites or with a Zoom attendance option.

When enrolled in CHLD 210, students are expected to have access to or be employed by an ECCE program and be able to implement assignments in the setting.

#### Practicum Site Criteria for Early Childhood Care & Education Students

The following criteria are important components of the practicum or work experience for our students:

- 1. Practicum site programs and teachers hold current child care licenses from the appropriate licensing authority.
- 2. Program Director is a member of NAEYC and the Idaho STARS Professional Development System.
- 3. Cooperating Teacher is a member of NAEYC and the Idaho STARS Professional Development System, and holds, at a minimum, a current Child Development Associate credential (CDA) or an Intermediate Technical Certificate in Child Development or from an accredited college or university.
- 4. Program Director and Cooperating Teacher are willing to work collaboratively with the faculty from the ECCE program to strive to meet the NAEYC Early Childhood Accreditation standards in the classrooms where practicum students are placed.
- 5. Students receive a written job description for their position in the classroom, which will be shared with the ECCE faculty. To do a job well, one must know what the expectations are.
- 6. A developmentally appropriate class schedule is posted in cooperating classrooms.
- 7. Visible weekly lesson plans, which have been developed involving both cooperative teacher and practicum student, are posted. Lesson plans should reflect children's strengths, needs, and interests as documented through developmentally appropriate assessment.
- 8. In cooperating classrooms, students should be able to see the following:
  - Both indoor and outdoor play
  - Opportunities for individual play, small group play, and large group play
  - Both guiet and active times
  - Child-initiated and child-directed activities, as well as teacher-directed activities
  - Open-ended activities
- Consistent classroom rules are implemented and positive guidance techniques are modeled by all adults in the facility.
- 10. Student teachers will collaborate with cooperating teachers to implement activities and special projects during the first semester and two-week long lesson plans the second semester. These plans will be assigned in advance and approved by the cooperating teacher and ECCE faculty before implementation and documentation of completion.

11. Practicum time sheets must be signed by director/supervising teacher weekly, after the student has filled in hours and signed timesheet.

Students may count no more than 2 hours of outside preparation or meeting time toward the minimum 18 weekly practicum hours. The main purpose of the practicum is to give students contact time with children and families.

#### **Evacuation Procedures**

Campus Emergency Services: (208) 282-2515

In an emergency in which Public Safety cannot be reached, dial 911.

#### **Building Evacuation:**

- a. All building evacuations will occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by Public Safety or Building Coordinator.
- b. When the building evacuation alarm is activated during an emergency leave by the nearest marked exit and alert others to do the same.
- c. Remember that elevators are reserved for the persons with disabilities. Never use an elevator in a fire or earthquake. Electric power is likely to fail in both cases leaving you trapped.
- d. Assist persons with disabilities in exiting the building. If necessary two or three individuals may carry the persons with disabilities from the building if the person with disabilities cannot negotiate the stairs. Leave wheelchairs or other such equipment behind if they make movement of the persons with disabilities awkward, or ask another individual to carry the equipment separately.
- e. If persons with disabilities cannot be transported from the building without using an elevator, assist persons with disabilities to the designated persons with disabilities rescue area on each floor of the building. Never use an elevator in a fire or earthquake. Be prepared to notify rescue personnel immediately upon their arrival of the location of any persons with disabilities in such rescue areas.
- f. Once outside, proceed to the designated gathering point. This should be a clear area that is at least 500 feet or further, depending on the type of incident, away from the affected building. Stay there.
- g. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas, and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel. Know your area assembly points.
- h. Immediately notify emergency personnel of any injured persons and individuals remaining in the affected building.
- i. Do not return to any evacuated building unless told to do so by emergency personnel, building or University officials.

#### **Campus Evacuation**

a. Evacuation of all or part of the campus grounds will be announced by Public Safety.

All persons (student and staff) are to vacate the site in question immediately and relocate to another part of the campus grounds as directed.

#### Computer Misuse

Inappropriate use of the computer is considered computer misuse. All usage is to pertain to class instructional purposes. The supervisor of each lab will determine what is deemed "inappropriate use" for their particular lab. For specific computer lab policies, see individual lab instructor. Inappropriate use may result in denial of computer lab access at the College of Technology.

#### Registration and Fee Collection Policy

- All students who are enrolled in semester-based programs must pay their tuition by the Friday before classes begin to avoid a \$50 late fee. For tuition payment information, login to MyISU and go to the Online Fee Payment tile.
- Students who are enrolled only in the eight-week classes (early and late), must pay tuition by the first day of class.

NOTE: It is the individual student's responsibility, regardless of funding source, to see that their tuition is paid on time and that they are officially enrolled at ISU. Students who do not pay tuition prior to the deadline may be disenrolled.

#### Communicable Disease Safety Procedures

It is the policy of ISU to safeguard the welfare of Students, Faculty, Staff, and Campus Residents while maintaining the operations of the University in an effective and efficient manner in the event a member of the University community has a Communicable Disease.

ISU will address issues involving Communicable Diseases in a sensitive and responsible manner, with concern for the rights and welfare of Students, Faculty, and Staff. The confidentiality of information regarding any individuals with a Communicable Disease will be respected. All medical records and the patient information contained therein will be handled in accordance with applicable law, including the Health Insurance Portability

and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). However, Idaho law requires medical care providers to notify public health officials of any disease on the Idaho Reportable Disease List as set forth in IDAPA 16.02.10. ISU will disclose sensitive medical information no further than is necessary to ensure the health and safety of all members of the ISU community, and in a manner consistent with applicable law.

ISU will not unlawfully discriminate in policy or practice, including admissions and employment policies, against individuals who have, or are considered to be at risk for, Communicable Diseases. Discrimination against and/or harassment of Students, Faculty, or Staff may result in disciplinary action.

As long as evidence supports, with reasonable medical certainty, that a particular disease is not communicable by contact normally found in the workplace, classroom, or ISU owned facility, the workplace, classroom, or ISU owned facility will not be considered hazardous as a result of the presence of an affected Faculty member, Staff member, or Student.

For more information on this policy, please visit: Communicable Disease Policy

#### Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The University is committed to providing Reasonable Accommodations, modifications or academic adjustments for Qualified Students with Disabilities in accordance with federal, state, and local disability laws. Pursuant to these laws, no Qualified Student having a disability, or regarded as having a disability, shall unlawfully be denied access to or participation in any services, programs, or activities sponsored by or funded by ISU.

For more information on this policy, please visit: <u>Accommodations for Students with</u> Disabilities

#### Appeals and Dismissals

A student may be dismissed from a College of Technology program if the student fails to meet the academic and/or nonacademic continuation standards of the program/department including unprofessional/unethical behaviors and unsafe practices, or if the student is not making satisfactory progress in the program.

For more information on the Scholastic and Dismissal Appeals process, please visit: Appeals and Dismissals

#### Student Conduct Rules and Regulations

The Student Code of Conduct articulates behavioral standards and procedural guidelines designed to empower ISU community members to live, work, study, recreate, and pursue their goals in a safe, secure, and inclusive environment. Adherence to and enforcement of the code promotes Student accountability, community integrity, and mission fulfillment.

Stealing, Cheating, Dishonesty, and other violations to the student code of conduct will be handled on an individual basis.

Using, possessing, or being under the influence of illicit drugs or alcoholic beverages during school hours is prohibited.

For more information on the Student Code of Conduct, please visit: <u>Student Code of Conduct</u>

#### **Smoke Free Campus**

Idaho State University is committed to promoting a healthy and safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. This policy is intended to reduce the health risks related to Smoking and secondhand smoke for the campus community. Smoke and tobacco-free policies are becoming a national standard in order to foster a healthy environment in all communities

For more information on the Smoke Free Policy, please visit: Smoke Free Campus

#### Academic Integrity and Dishonesty Policy

#### **Policy Statement**

Academic integrity is expected of all individuals in academe. Behavior beyond reproach must be the norm. Academic dishonesty in any form is unacceptable.

- A. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, Cheating and Plagiarism.
- B. This policy applies to all forms of University educational activities, including but not limited to, classroom, lab, and online formats.
- C. Instructors are encouraged to include specific information in the course syllabus on Academic integrity and dishonesty guidelines specific to the course format and evaluation activities, as well as the link to this policy.

D. Students should not assume that any materials or collaborative learning activities are authorized unless explicitly stated by the instructor in the course syllabus.

For more information on the Academic Integrity and Dishonesty Policy, please visit: Academic Integrity

#### Idaho State University Student Handbook

The following policies fall under the guidance of the Idaho State University Student Handbook.

For more information on each topic, please find the policy and descriptions using the handbook link.

- 1. Students Rights and Responsibilities (Page 4)
- 2. Withdrawal (Page 6)
- 3. Academic Standing (Page 10)
- 4. Petitions (Page 16)
- 5. Sexual Harassment (Page 18)
- 6. Student Complaints and Grievances (Page 18)

#### ISU Student Handbook

#### Additional Idaho State University policies:

- FERPA
- TITLE IX
- Satisfactory Academic Progress

# IV. College of Technology Resources and Services

#### Services for Students

STUDENT SERVICES: This office is located in two locations, the main floor of the Roy F. Christensen (RFC) Complex, room 101, and the William M. and Karin A. Eames Advanced Technical Education and Innovations (Eames) Complex, room 102. Student Services assists students with specific information about the programs at the College of Technology. Student Success Navigators are available to give students assistance with admissions, class and schedule advisement, academic resources, and specific information pertaining to a student's educational goals.

Hours are 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Appointments can be made by calling (208) 282-2622. Appointments are recommended but are not required. Tours of the programs are available by appointment and can be set up by calling (208) 282-2800. STUDENT SERVICES

**TUTORING ASSISTANCE:** Students who are experiencing difficulties with their program instruction or classroom assignments may receive assistance. The student's instructor should be contacted first, as many of the training programs have 'peer tutors' available who are familiar with the required curriculum and assignments.

NOTE: It is important to request assistance as EARLY in the semester as possible! At the point a student recognizes they are having difficulty, help should be sought immediately! Contact the TAP Center, (Tutoring, Academic Support, Peer mentoring), located in room 380 of the RFC Complex. Or telephone at (208) 282-3208 for an appointment to discuss specific tutoring needs. TAP CENTER

THE CENTER FOR NEW DIRECTIONS Located within the RFC Complex on the third floor. The Center's telephone number is (208) 282-2454. Support programs are available at no cost for men and women who are interested in entering/re-entering the job market due to issues which might include: divorce; separation; death; or disability of a spouse. Services are available on job seeking skills, career information, self-esteem, self-confidence building, and personal counseling. The Center also provides a limited number of scholarships for single parents and for women and men interested in pursuing 'non-traditional' fields of training. CENTER FOR NEW DIRECTIONS

#### Message from the Center for New Directions

Success in this course depends heavily on your personal health and wellbeing. Recognize that stress is an expected part of the college experience, and it often can be compounded by unexpected setbacks or life changes outside the classroom. You are encouraged to reframe challenges as an unavoidable pathway to success. Reflect on your role in taking care of yourself throughout the term, before the demands of exams and projects reach their peak. You are encouraged to reach out to the center about any difficulty you may be having that may impact your performance in this course. If you are experiencing stress in other areas of your campus life, the center will help you get in contact with other resources on campus that stand ready to assist you. In addition to your student success navigator, you are encouraged to contact the many other support services on campus that are available.

#### **Statement on Services**

 Students enrolled in Idaho State University College of Technology are eligible to receive free, confidential personal and career counseling from licensed professional counselors at Center for New Directions (CND). We offer individual counseling and Biofeedback. Call 208-282-2454, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm, to schedule an appointment or to speak immediately to a counselor if you are in crisis.

CENTER FOR NEW DIRECTIONS

• ISU Counseling and Mental Health Center (CMHC) The university Counseling and Mental Health Center serves Idaho State University and its community with a dual mission. Our counseling services mission is to support the academic, emotional, social, vocational, spiritual, cultural, and professional development of students and other members of the ISU community by offering counseling, outreach, consultation, training, and educational and health promotion services. Our testing services mission is to initiate and provide a secure, professional, and proctored testing environment to meet individual, University, and community needs for admission, certification, licensure, correspondence, course placement, job placement, and academic course exams that adheres to the NCTA Professional Standards and Guidelines. Crisis intervention services are available Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 4 pm.

To establish services:

Please call 208-282-2130, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 4 pm. **COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH CENTER** 

#### **Mental Health Services for Out of State ISU Students**

ISU Counseling and Mental Health Center has partnered with LifeWorks, Inc. to bring the MySSP tool to ISU students while they are physically out of the state of Idaho. Through MySSP, students can access health assessments, real-time chat support, and free counseling from licensed mental health professionals.

#### **Accessing MySSP**

- Connect with My SSP by calling 1-866-743-7732 or visiting LINK. IF calling from outside North America: 001.416.380.6578.
- Download "My SSP" from the app store to use on your phone.

#### Financing Your Education

Students attending the ISU College of Technology can apply for federal financial aid by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form each year they are enrolled at the University. FAFSA applications are available on the web at:

#### **FAFSA**

It is strongly recommended that students apply early. Keep the Financial Aid office notified of any changes in student status such as address change, marriage, etc.

NOTE: Students who leave school prior to successful completion may have to repay federal financial aid received. Call the ISU Financial Aid office immediately if you plan to withdraw from school, (208) 282-2756. The website for financial aid is:

#### **FINANCIAL AID**

Numerous scholarships are available to College of Technology students. The ISU Scholarship Department website lists those scholarships through the Bengal Online Scholarship System (BOSS).

The most common scholarships are the Associated Students of ISU (ASISU) Need and Scholastic awards. Funds for these scholarships come from a portion of the registration fees each student pays. Many scholarships are donated by business/industry, organizations, or individuals and have specific criteria which must be met.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### Traffic and Parking

NOTE: Please refer to the ISU Parking web address at:

#### **PARKING & TRANSPORTATION**

Every motor vehicle on the ISU campus must be registered and display an appropriate ISU decal. Parking permits are available at the ISU Traffic Office located at the corner of South 5<sup>th</sup> and Humboldt Street, telephone (208) 282-2625.

#### Cost:

General Lot: \$183Reserved Lot: \$365

Students may park only in the area their parking decal designates. Students at the College of Technology may not park in the Cosmetology Patron parking spaces. The parking meters at the RFC Complex are reserved for visitors and new applicants inquiring about school. Students are NOT PERMITTED to park in metered spaces. Students should be aware of the ISU towing policy. Any vehicle that has incurred outstanding fines of \$50 or more and has received a tow warning may be towed from campus at the owner's expense, even if legally parked.

Any traffic tickets resulting in fines owed to the University must be paid or student's transcripts, certificates, and/or degrees will not be released upon completion of their training program. In addition, registration for the next term will not be permitted until the fines and other financial obligations are paid or proper arrangements are made by the student.

For more information on parking regulations, visit: <a href="https://www.isu.edu/parking/permit-information/regulations/">https://www.isu.edu/parking/permit-information/regulations/</a>

# V. Idaho State University Resources and Services

#### **Disability Services**

#### Mission Statement

The mission of Disability Services (DS) is to increase equal access and opportunities to all programs and services sponsored or funded by Idaho State University. DS is dedicated to creating an accessible environment for students, employees, and community members with disabilities. In achieving this, DS:

- Works collaboratively with University Partners to foster a welcoming, diverse, and inclusive University community.
- Collaborates with and empowers individuals who have documented disabilities by working together proactively to determine reasonable accommodation(s).
- Promotes a culture of self-advocacy, responsibility, and agency.
- Ensures compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) and other current legislation.
- Readily responds to grievances and advances inclusion through the removal of identified informational, physical, and/or attitudinal barriers.
- Advocates for Universal Design (UD) as a crucial framework to support the diverse needs of students, faculty, staff, and community members.
- Develops partnerships with external community members/groups to support the advancement of equity and inclusion at the local, state, and national levels.
- Provides institution-wide advisement, consultation, and training on disabilityrelated topics, including but not limited to: legal and regulatory compliance and universal design.

#### **Contact Information**

#### **Disability Services**

Rendezvous Complex, Room 125 921 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, STOP 8121 Pocatello, ID 83209-8121 Phone: 208-282-3599

Fax: 208-282-4617

VP for ASL: 208-530-6505

Email: disabilityservices@isu.edu
DISABILITY SERVICES

#### Office of Equal Opportunity & Title IX

The Mission of the Office of Equal Opportunity & Title IX is to foster a culture of connection and belonging within our community.

Our Vision is to inspire our community to develop and maintain an equitable and inclusive environment through support, outreach, and collaboration.

The University is committed to creating and maintaining a learning and working environment free of discrimination and harassment against any individual based on that person's race, color, religion, gender, age, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, physical or mental disability, or Veteran's status. Our helpful, friendly staff are available to work with any university community member. We look forward to serving you.

#### **Contact Information**

Office of Equal Opportunity & Title IX

Rendezvous Complex, Room 151C 921 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, STOP 8315 Pocatello, ID 83209-8315 Phone: 208-282-3964

> Fax: 208-282-5829 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

#### Additional Resources and Services

The following are Idaho State University resources and services to help our students succeed.

- Career Center
- <u>Commencement</u>
- Counseling and Mental Health Center
- Health at ISU
- <u>Disability Services</u>
- Parking and Transportation
- Student Resources
- <u>Tutoring</u>

## VI. Handbook Signature Form



#### HANDBOOK SIGNATURE FORM

I acknowledge that I have received, read and understand the Early Childhood Care & Education Handbook. I have also reviewed the Idaho State University Student Handbook and understand the privileges and responsibilities of attending Idaho State University.

PRINTED NAME	DATE
SIGNATURE	BENGAL ID #
INSTRUCTOR SIGNATURE	_

#### VII. Media Release



#### MEDIA RELEASE

Instructions: Please review and indicate your agreement to this Release by signing below.

I hereby grant permission to Idaho State University (Idaho State) to use my name, image, voice, and likeness in all forms of physical and digital media for Idaho State's educational, marketing, and promotional purposes in perpetuity. Idaho State shall have the right to photograph, record, publish, re-publish, adapt, exhibit, perform, reproduce, edit, modify, make derivative works, distribute, display or otherwise use or reuse my name, image, voice and likeness in all markets, media, and technology now known or hereafter developed. Idaho State may exercise any of these rights itself or through any assignees, licensees, or other parties including other Universities.

I acknowledge that I will not be compensated for these uses, and that Idaho State exclusively owns all rights to the images, videos, recordings, and any derivative works created by Idaho State or its employees. I waive the right to inspect or approve of these uses. I hereby release Idaho State, its assignees, and its licensees from any claims that may arise from these uses, including without limitation claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, or copyright.

This Release is binding on me, my heirs, assigns, and estate. I understand Idaho State is not obligated to use any of the rights granted under this Release

FULL NAME (PRINTED)	SIGNATURE			
ADDRESS (STREET)	CITY	STATE	ZIP	
EMAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHON	E NUMBER	DATE	

## VIII. Computer Usage Policy



#### COMPUTER USAGE POLICY

Person(s) using any of the ISU computing resources for personal gain, violation of security/privacy or whootherwise compromise the integrity of the hardware and/or software shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Legitimate use of a computer or computer network does not extend to whatever you are capable of doing with it. Although some rules are built into the system itself, these restrictions cannot limit completely what you can do and see. In any event, you are responsible for your actions whether or not rules are built in, and whether or not you can circumvent them.

Inappropriate use of the computer is considered computer misuse. The supervisor of each lab will determine what is deemed "inappropriate use" for their particular lab. For specific computer lab policies, see individual lab instructors. Inappropriate use may result in denial of computer lab access at the College of Technology.

The misuse of this computing account, or use of an account belonging to another, may result in the loss of your computer privileges. Where computing is required to complete course work this may effectively require transfer to a non-computer related program and/or hinder your pursuit of a degree. Examples of misuse are: sharing your personal account with another individual, using unauthorized passwords, using for financial gain or business purposes, sending offensive electronic mail or internet correspondence, chain letter, or other such correspondence, unauthorized transfer of computer programs or data, attempts to circumvent established procedures, computer security breach or attempts to break security.

I have read the entire student computing contract. I acknowledge and agree to use the ISU computing resources solely for university instructional, administrative, or research activities in accordance with the above policy. I further acknowledge that any abuse of the above privilege may result in the loss of computing privileges whether or not such privileges are necessary for continued enrollment in my present course of study.

PRINTED NAME	DATE
SIGNATURE	BENGAL ID #