

February 8, 2017

*DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE!*

Dear Parents,

All junior and senior students from Canyon Ridge will qualify for the **GEARUP 2 Idaho Scholarship**. This scholarship is guaranteed to be a minimum of \$588 per year for four years (immediately following graduation). The yearly award could be much more, depending on how many Idaho students reapply every year. This scholarship is valid at all the public colleges and a selection of private colleges in Idaho.

Students who do not apply by **March 1st** of their senior year, will not be eligible for the funding at any point in the future. Even if your child thinks they are not going to one of the below colleges, please encourage them to apply. Things can change and if they decide in the next few years to attend one of the below colleges, they will want to keep the possibility of this scholarship open. Students must also complete the FAFSA their senior year (**before March 1st**). The GEAR UP Scholarship has no minimum GPA, or financial need requirement.

ELIGIBLE COLLEGES

Applicants for the GEAR UP scholarship must be enrolled or accepted for fulltime attendance at one of the following Idaho schools:

North Idaho College (Coeur d'alene)
LewisClark State College (Lewiston)
College of Southern Idaho (Twin Falls)
Eastern Idaho Technical College (Idaho Falls)
University of Idaho (Moscow)
Boise State University (Boise)
Idaho State University (Pocatello)
College of Western Idaho (Nampa)
Northwest Nazarene University (Nampa)
BYU Idaho (Rexburg)

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE GU SCHOLARSHIP (SENIORS ONLY, Juniors will apply next year)

Have your student go to https://boardofed.idaho.gov/scholarship/gear_up_2.asp and click "Apply." The application process is pretty straightforward, but step by step instructions are posted on the Canyon Ridge website. These directions were also given to the seniors. Remember, each student must also complete the FAFSA prior to the scholarship due date (March 1).

FAFSA completion site: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

Contact the GEARUP Coordinator Jenny Mark at CHRS with any questions or comments. Phone (208) 732-7555 or email markje@tfsd.org

GEARUP Survey (BOTH JUNIORS & SENIORS NOW)



Also included are GEARUP surveys for both you as the parent and your student to complete. The surveys are available on the Canyon Ridge website and can be completed electronically if you prefer. Surveys are due by Monday, March 5. We appreciate your feedback and ask that all GEARUP parents and students participate so that we can maintain our federal funding for future years. Prizes will be drawn from survey participants (yes, we are bribing you to complete the survey!). Paper surveys can be returned to the Career Center. Surveys in Spanish are also available.