

Advanced Opportunities Participation Form

This participation form allows students to participate in the Advanced Opportunities program through the Idaho State Department of Education as authorized by Idaho Code 33, Chapter 46: Advanced Opportunities. By signing this form, the student and parent/guardian agree to the conditions and provisions of the program.

Students are allocated a total of \$4,625 to use in grades 7-12. Funds can be used towards:

1. Overload courses; high school credits taken in **excess** of the full credit load offered by the public high school, up to \$225 per course. Definitions of full credit load may vary between schools.
2. Dual credits; a maximum of \$75 per credit;
3. Examinations; Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and College Level Examination Program;
4. Career Technical Education (CTE) examinations that lead to an industry-recognized certificate, license, or degree;
5. Eligible CTE workforce training courses up to \$500 per course and \$1,000 per year; and
6. Federal, registered workforce training programs that lead to regional “in demand” jobs.

Students should meet with their guidance counselor to develop a 4, 5, or 6 year career pathway plan that will help them maximize the benefits of this program according to the student’s college and career interests. Intentional selection of coursework is a critical element of these programs.

All courses paid for by Advanced Opportunities must be transcribed on the student’s public high school transcript.

The parent/guardian and student understand that they will be held responsible for tuition and fees incurred as a result of participation in courses or exams taken from a college, university, or other provider, and will be responsible for complying with policies and procedures set forth by the provider.

The Idaho State Department of Education will send payment for courses to the public Idaho post-secondary institution or the student’s school district. Eligibility for payment is subject to the deadlines and procedures set forth by the District in partnership with course and exam providers. All payment requests must be submitted through the Advanced Opportunities portal according to District guidelines.

If a student fails to earn credit for a course paid for by Advanced Opportunities, the student must subsequently pay for a “like” course on their own before they are eligible for further Advanced Opportunities funding. If a student performs inadequately on an examination paid for by Advanced Opportunities, the local school district will decide whether the student may continue utilizing Advanced Opportunities funding, or if they must pay for the cost of a “like” examination before using further funds. Advanced Opportunities funds may not be used for repeated or remedial course work.

With the approval of the District, students can track expenditures of their allocation by creating an account in the Advanced Opportunities portal.

This form will be retained by the District.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_