IT’S NEVER TOO EARLY TO PREPARE FOR COLLEGE!

How do I do that?
JOIN TRIO Educational Talent Search (ETS)

What is TRIO?

- TRIO is a federally funded program that helps primarily first generation, limited income students prepare for the challenges of a college education, with the goal of having them successfully enroll in and graduate from college.
- Primarily means 70% of our students meet both qualifications and 30% do not have to meet any of the requirements.
  - First generation, meaning parents do not have a *four year bachelor degree*.
  - Limited income is based on your family size and *taxable* income (after deductions).

The services that ETS provides *free of charge* are:

- Academic advising including workshops to enhance academic skills
- After school tutoring
- Information about colleges, universities, and technical schools
- Career counseling
- Guidance on activities that will make them eligible for scholarships
- Visits to college campuses

**Q: What is the catch?**
A: THERE IS NO CATCH! This program exists to help students make college a reality. We aren’t looking for anything in return, we aren’t trying to make money, and we are simply trying to help you be better prepared for entry to and success in college.

**Q: Is it really free?**
A: YES! The program is 100% funded by the US Department of Education. There is absolutely no cost to participate. When visiting colleges, we pay for transportation, lodging, food, admission tickets, etc.

**Q: How do I sign up?**
A: The signup process is simple! Take an application, talk it over with your family, fill it out and bring it back to the school office. The program advisor will talk with you about your goals and ambitions and that is it!

**Q: How many people can sign up?**
A: Unfortunately, we are only funded to serve a set amount of students. If you are interested and there are no open positions, you’ll be notified and put on a waiting list until one opens up.

**Q: Do I have to go to ISU?**
A: NO! We just want you to go to college! Part of the program is helping you find the college that fits you best and getting you there.

**Q: Why do you need my social security number and income information?**
A: Our program is set up to serve students who have limited resources or will be the first in their family to graduate college. This information verifies to the Dept. of Ed. that we are doing just that. This information is kept *strictly confidential* and only used for our internal purposes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (208)-282-3242.

*If you would like for a TRIO representative to contact your parent/guardian about the program, fill out this short questionnaire: goo.gl/YUYW7Qm*
Thank you for your interest in TRIO Educational Talent Search. ETS is a federal program funded by the United States Department of Education to help encourage first-generation, limited income students further their education. ETS services help students explore college and career opportunities, and enter the college of their choice upon completion of high school. As a TRIO Educational Talent Search student you will be provided with information about college, careers, study skills, financial aid, and participate in college field trips. ETS students must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States. You may return your completed application to your school counseling office or mail it directly to:

Idaho State University TRIO Programs
921 S 8th Ave, Stop 8345
Pocatello ID 83209
Telephone: (208) 282-3242
Fax: (208) 282-4864

Please complete all items on the application. Incomplete applications will delay processing and services. ALL ETS SERVICES ARE FREE!

Student Information

Please complete the information requested. Where multiple choices are given, please indicate the correct item.

Date: ______________________________

1.) Last Name ________________________ First Name ________________________ M.I. ______

2.) Social Security Number _______ - _______ - _______ (required by U.S. Dept. of Ed)

3.) Mailing Address______________________________________________________________

City_________________________________ State ___________ Zip ______

4.) Parent Telephone/Cell____________________ Student Cell ____________________

5.) Student e-mail ________________________________________________________________

6.) Current Grade 8 9 10 11 12 School______________________________________________

7.) Date of Birth ______/_____/________ Biological Sex: Male Female

8.) Citizenship

□ US Citizen

OR

□ Permanent Resident (Please attach a copy of your alien registration card or I-94 form)
If born outside the U.S., please specify which country ______________________________________

9.) Ethnicity/Race

Is the applicant Hispanic/Latino? □ Yes □ No

Please check all boxes that the applicant considers him/herself (if any):

□ American Indian/Alaskan Native □ Black/African American

□ Asian □ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander □ White/Caucasian

10.) Is a language other than English spoken at home? □ No □ Yes Which language ________________________________

11.) Are you currently enrolled in any of the following programs: □ Gear-Up □ Upward Bound
THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1.) Name of Parent(s)/Legal Guardian: ____________________________________________________

2.) Parent e-mail address: ____________________________________________________________________

3.) Who does student primarily live with? (Parent 1, Parent 2 Both, if other, explain) ____________________________________________________________________

ETS is required to verify that our participants meet federal criteria based on educational background and household income level. ETS ensures all information provided is held in the strictest of confidence.

Indicate highest level of education completed by each of your biological/adoptive (not step) parents:

4.) Parent 1  □ Less than High School □ High School □ College

□ 2 year college, Institution Name ____________________________________________ Associates in ____________________________

□ 4 year college, Institution Name ____________________________________________ Degree Awarded ____________________________

5.) Parent 2  □ Less than High School □ High School □ College

□ 2 year college, Institution Name ____________________________________________ Associates in ____________________________

□ 4 year college, Institution Name ____________________________________________ Degree Awarded ____________________________

6.) Parent 1 Place of Work ________________________ Parent 2 Place of Work ________________________

7.) Number of People in your Household________

8.) Is the student eligible for Free Lunch?  Y  N  Is the student eligible for Reduced Lunch?  Y  N

9.) Household Income Information (required by U.S. Dept. of Ed)

Taxable Income from most recent taxes (income after all deductions)
(Refer to IRS form 1040 line 43, or IRS Form 1040 A line 27, or IRS form 1040EZ line 6)

$ ____________________________

(DO NOT estimate, exact amount from taxes is required)

If you did not file a tax return – Please list your parental monthly take home pay (including child support, social security, etc.)  $ ____________________________

Certification and Signatures

I/We certify that all of the contents of this application is true and complete to the best of our knowledge.

I/We authorize the release of my high school records (transcripts, standardized tests scores, PowerSchool/Infinite Campus records, special needs documentation, postsecondary placement status) to ISU Educational Talent Search (ETS) Advisor/Planners.

I/We authorize the release of postsecondary placement information, using the Social Security Number I/we provided through National Student Clearinghouse and/or the College/University Registrar to ISU TRIO ETS Director.

I/We authorize the release and exchange of the student financial aid information from colleges and/or federal government to ISU TRIO ETS.

I/We understand that the completion of this application does not guarantee acceptance in the ISU TRIO ETS program.

I/We authorize the use of my photograph in ETS publications and media releases to the ETS program.

I/We understand that if I need accommodation for a disability to participate in ETS, or any of its scheduled activities, I must contact Educational Talent Search at 208-282-3242 at least 30 working days prior to the activity.

I/We understand it is the responsibility of the parent to provide transportation to and from ETS activities.

I/We give permission for my student to attend and receive transportation from ETS tutoring and other after-school activities.

Program goals are to work with eligible participants to graduate from high school and enroll in post-secondary programs of study. I am aware that I (the parent/guardian) have a responsibility to support and encourage my child to successfully complete the goals of the program.

Student Signature ____________________________ Date ____________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature ____________________________ Date ____________________________
Idaho State University  
Educational Talent Search  
Student Needs Assessment

Name__________________________________________ Grade_________________________

This survey contains a number of statements about student needs. We ask students to give their honest opinion about how Educational Talent Search can meet your needs. Your answers will be kept confidential.

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1. I need to get better grades in school.........................................................1
2. I need to learn how to take better notes ......................................................1
3. I need to learn test-taking strategies and techniques ......................................1
4. I need to develop strong study skills and habits ...............................................1
5. I need to learn how to read a textbook more effectively ....................................1
6. I need to develop or improve my time management skills and habits ..................1
7. I need to know how to prepare for a career that interests me ............................1
8. I need to learn how to get involved in clubs and organizations ...........................1
9. I need help visiting college campuses ..............................................................1
10. I need to experience more cultural activities ....................................................1
11. I need to learn which high school courses are necessary for college .................1
12. I need information on college prep courses and dual enrollment ......................1
13. I need to learn about college programs and degrees .........................................1
14. I need to learn more about ACT/SAT testing ....................................................1
15. I need help applying to colleges and understanding the application process .......1
16. I need to learn more about filling out financial aid applications ........................1
17. I need to learn about searching for scholarships ...............................................1
18.) What college(s) or university(ies) are you interested in attending?________________

What are you interested in studying or majoring in?____________________________________

19.) How did you hear about TRIO Educational Talent Search?__________________________

****************************************************************************ETS OFFICE USE ONLY****************************************************************************
□ LEP (Limited English Proficiency)  □ First Generation  □ Low-Income  □ Both  □ Other (Neither)
Director Approval__________________  -  ETS Advisor(date & initial)____________________
On Data Base ______________________  
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