



Dream It Do It - HERE

2019 YOUTH CONFERENCE

March 1, 2019

9:00 am – 2:30 pm

Lewis-Clark State College Activity Center, 500 8th Avenue, Lewiston, ID

Engaging local 11th grade high school students and inciting passion in career choices that are HERE in North Central Idaho and Southeast Washington.

LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE AND THE DREAM IT DO IT PARTNERS ARE HOSTING THE SECOND, ANNUAL DREAM IT DO IT HERE CONFERENCE! FIVE-HUNDRED 11TH GRADE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNSELORS WILL EXPERIENCE A DAY OF LOCAL INDUSTRY BREAKOUT SESSIONS TO LEARN ABOUT THE LOCAL JOB MARKET AND FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS IN MANUFACTURING, HEALTH CARE, SKILLED TRADES, TECHNOLOGY, TRANSPORTATION, HOSPITALITY, LEGAL, AND FINANCE.

The Conference Framework:

One-hundred, 30-minute breakout sessions will be offered. Eighty sessions will be provided by local industry partners where students will get to meet with dynamic speakers coming from local businesses. Each session will feature industry representatives sharing their experience in their respective occupations—what their company does, what they do in their jobs, how they got into their career, what they like about what they do, and what educational and career choices they made. Twenty sessions will feature the



region's higher education institutions where they will align their educational opportunities with the occupations shared at the event. Students will rotate between breakout sessions. By the end of the day, each student will have participated in five breakout sessions where they will have heard first-hand accounts of experiences with a minimum of 12 occupations and had communication with at least one college or university. Students will be matched with industry preferences for at least one of the five breakout sessions.



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The Region's Workforce:

Businesses must have skilled workers at every level. Finding skilled workers is a significant barrier to industry success. High school students are often unsure of what careers there are, or the pathways to that career. We want to inform students of the opportunities and career pathways in North Central Idaho and Southeast Washington. It is imperative that the regional partners (industry, education, and economic development) work together by:

1. Exposing them to the region's job opportunities.
2. Providing them with information on the career pathway to the jobs we have here.
3. Connecting them to industry and the education or training they need to reach their career goal.

Dream It Do It

The Northwest Intermountain Dream It Do It Chapter is a local alliance dedicated to recruiting area youth to manufacturing and other valued industries such as healthcare, high technology, construction, transportation, skilled trades, etc. Dream It Do It is a youth recruitment strategy developed by the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) through its educational arm, The Manufacturing Network. This program has been highly effective in helping the region to link the youth recruitment efforts of partners.

The Drivers:

The Dream It Do It Council is responsible for bringing Dream It Do It to the area and coordinating DIDI activities. The Council is established to better align talent with industry needs. Twenty-five educational and industry representatives meet quarterly to provide leadership in activities that support the council's mission.

Council representation includes the University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College, Walla Walla Community College, the Nez Perce Tribe, the Idaho Department of Labor, Eastern Washington Partnership, regional businesses, local school districts, local trade unions, and economic development. Geographically, the region encompasses the Idaho counties of Latah, Lewis, Idaho, Clearwater, and Nez Perce as well as the southeast Washington counties of Whitman, Asotin, and Garfield. For more information, please contact CEDA Executive Director Christine Frei, 208-746-0015 extension 104 or clfrei@clearwater-eda.org.

School Districts Invited:

Asotin	Genesee	LaCrosse-	Nezperce	St.John/Endicott
Clarkston	Garfield/Palouse	Washtucna	Oaksdale	Salmon River
Colfax	Highland	Lapwai	Orofino	Tekoa
Colton	Kahlotus	Lewiston	Pomeroy	Troy
Cottonwood	Kamiah	Moscow	Potlatch	Whitepine
Culdesac	Kendrick	Mountain View	Pullman	