



IDAHO COMMISSION ON HISPANIC AFFAIRS

2026 IDAHO YOUTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

IMPACT SUMMARY

Attendance & Reach

- 600 high school students grades 9–12
- 40 chaperones and teachers supporting students
- 27 Idaho schools represented
- 24 State, college, and community partners engaged
- 21 volunteers assisting with check-in, workshops, room monitoring, logistics

“This summit helped me understand my college and career options, learn about scholarships, and talk directly with people who want to help me succeed. It made my future feel possible.”

— 2026 IYLS student participant

Engagement & Participation

- State Elected Officials participation included Idaho’s Governor, Attorney General, Controller, Superintendent of Public Instruction
- 75 students per workshop session
- 25 colleges, career industries, and community organization exhibitors
- 13 interactive career and academic workshops
- 2 student and career professional panels



Student Outcomes & Opportunities

Student participants walked away with:

- \$5.3M college reported student scholarships awarded
- 148 college reported student recipients
- Direct exposure to employers, colleges, and career professionals
- Practical skills in leadership, communication, and goal-setting

Post event student survey results:

- Overall Sentiment - Strongly positive
- 83% responded that after attending IYLS, they have a better understanding on what career to pursue in college
- Many students explicitly wrote that the summit was “enjoyable, helpful, and impactful”
- The college & career fair received the highest impact score



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