



Parents!

This is an awesome opportunity for your students! Invent Idaho is an excellent way to challenge your child to research, problem solve, collaborate and design an invention that will solve a problem. The program is open to students in 1st through 12th grade. The [Invent Idaho](#) program has been around for 35 years and is easy to learn, easy to teach, works inside or outside of the classroom, and provides a unique opportunity for students to take their ideas as far as they want to go.

The Invent Idaho Curriculum:

- Is engaging and simple to implement
- Uses integrated activities that enable students to apply to real-world problem-solving.
- Embraces the scientific inquiry and engineering designing processes.
- Develops students' STEM identity through collaborative work across STEM areas, portfolio development, and presentation.
- Allows students to compete intellectually at the local, state, and national levels.

How to get involved:

Getting involved is easy and FREE! Parents, all you need to do is register your student and proceed with the Registration link: [Invent Idaho](#)

The deadline for registration is December 13, 2024.

If you are new to Invent Idaho, you may watch some short training videos (see below), or come to Invent Idaho facilitator training day in Coeur d' Alene on **Saturday, November 2, 2024 from 9am to 11am**. This training is open to facilitators, teachers, administrators or parents. Please email if you are interested in attending and for additional details.

Training Videos:

- Part 1: [Curiosity and History](#)
- Part 2: [Brainstorming Ideas](#)
- Part 3: [Design Process](#)
- Part 4: [Inventor's Journal](#)
- Part 5: [Nuts and Bolts](#)

[The National Invention Convention curriculum](#)

As with past years, the North Idaho Invent Idaho Regional Competition will be held at the Silver Lake Mall in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho. This year's dates are **January 31 through February 2, 2025**. The regional competitions will field participants from around their respective regions to compete for an opportunity to advance to the State Finals Competition **on April 25-26, 2025 on the University of Idaho campus in Moscow, ID**.

Each year, we are pleasantly reminded by parents and teachers about the positive impact that this program provides for Idaho youth. These students get to pursue ideation of solutions to real-world societal problems, and let their ideas be heard! The program enables them to compete using their ideas at progressing levels, including the potential to compete at the National Invention Convention at The Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI.

For details or questions on how to get started:

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