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BOISE, IDAHO: The Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities is seeking youth

applicants for Idaho Youth Leadership Forum - a week-long leadership, citizenship and career development program for high school juniors and seniors with disabilities. Students gain information about disability history, self-advocacy and resources related to assistive technology, community support, career development and civil rights. Activities include job shadow experiences, meeting with local, state and federal policymakers, and social activities. Each delegate develops a personal leadership plan for their future.

Selected students serve as delegates from their communities at the five-day conference held on the Boise State University campus. Each student's needs are met with support staff and accommodations to ensure full participation. All expenses, including travel, are paid – there is no cost to students. YLF will be held June 22 – 26, 2010. The forum is sponsored by the Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities in collaboration with the Idaho Department of Education and community partners.

Applications are available on-line at the DD Council website (“www.icdd.idaho.gov”) and the Idaho Training Clearinghouse website (“itcnew.idahotc.com”). The deadline for applications is March 19, 2010. For more information contact Tracy Warren at 208-334-2178 or 1-800-544-2433.

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