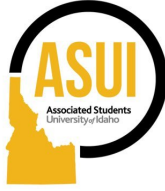




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## **Student Leaders Meet with Governor Little to Deliver a Resolution Supporting the Idaho LAUNCH Program**

**Boise, ID** - ASBSU President Isaac Celedon, ASUI President Martha Smith, ASISU President Neelam Mishra, and ASLCSC President Rayne Martinez released the following joint statement after student leaders met with Idaho governor Brad Little last Monday morning.

“Two week ago, all four of our student bodies voted to approve a [joint resolution](#) in support of the Idaho LAUNCH program. Since expanding to help cover the cost of education for in-demand careers, we have already begun to see results. More students attended in-state institutions this year, which sets Idaho apart from many other states whose universities are struggling with declining enrollment. Additionally, there were huge gains among students who are low-income. If the goals of LAUNCH were to open doors and to keep Idaho students in Idaho, we believe this is early evidence of the program’s success.”

“Education and career technical training prepare students for good jobs, which translates into economic growth as our graduates choose to live and work in Idaho.”

“We are grateful to governor Little not only for taking the time to meet with us and discuss how LAUNCH is impacting our students, but also for his leadership in ensuring Idaho’s students have access to the programs and training they need to be competitive in the workforce.”

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