IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

ROBERT JANSS SCHOOL
IDOC INSTRUCTOR CAREER LADDER

IDOC teacher recognition by Governor’s Taskforce to create a level of equity with traditional public school teachers who are on the career ladder.

Teamwork Award

Kim Wardwell
Idaho State Correctional Institution

Jack Dujanovic
Idaho State Correctional Institution
DATA REPORTING AND OFFENDER CLASS SCHEDULING

- CIS-H  Hybrid to the IDOC data base – Corrections Integrated System

Greg and Nick developed an IDOC web application that has streamlined class enrollment and reporting.

Cutting Edge Award

Greg Tyler and Nick Yordy automated the reports necessary to implement the Teacher Career Ladder.
• The IDOC education program, Robert Janss School, earned Special Purpose School accreditation by AdvancED through June, 2022.

Audrey Spence Award – Lifetime Achievement
Sarah Corona, Idaho State Correctional Institution

Sarah has worked with adult learners for 20 years. The majority of Sarah’s students are at or below the 4th grade level in reading and math. Her patience, ability to differentiate learning and dedication to her students has made an impact on her students.
• Limited internet accessibility for inmates compliments PreRelease programming and preparation for reentry.

Bette Stone- Idaho’s Brightest Star in 2018 for volunteers over 55
PROGRAM DELIVERY
IDAHO MAXIMUM SECURITY INSTITUTION INSTRUCTOR
INMATE EDUCATION INCENTIVE
• Employment “soft skills” are embedded in daily classroom expectations, aligning with the Department of Correction’s vision of providing normalcy for offenders.

Five of the nine IDOC institutions have education programs that can be taught by two teachers with one instructional assistant.
INFORMATION LITERACY

Information literacy is the ability to "recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use the needed information effectively."
EXPANDED POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Computer labs offer instruction in both basic and advanced computer literacy.

140 Computer Stations

4 Computer Stations Designated as “Ease of Access” for Disabled Inmates
EXPANDED POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

• Administrative Services

- Self-paced, independent study with teacher direction as needed.

- Aligns with Skillstack for credentialing
- Meets state standards and uses the competencies met in Pre-Release classes.
CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION – 
BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN PRISON
AND FINDING EMPLOYMENT

Unique needs of female offenders based on IDOC data:

- Substance Abuse
- Financial Problems
- Mental Health
- Shorter Sentences

**Ace Industrial Supply**
Ms. Gray
CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION – BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN PRISON AND FINDING EMPLOYMENT

The HARDEST SKILLS to find

For the fifth consecutive year, Skilled Trades positions are the hardest to fill globally; IT roles jumped seven places to second position.
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Extra Mile Award

During the past year, Caralee organized the first resource fair at Pocatello Women’s Correctional Center, consisting of 21 providers or agencies to assist female offenders with re-entry. Approximately 200 inmates attended the event.
PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

• General fund support for grant funded instructors

Four IDOC instructors are currently funded by federal grants. During the recent recession, grant award amounts have been precarious. Current grant awards will no longer support the positions in FY20.

• Technology support for inmate computer use.

Provide technical support funding for computer labs and networks in the 9 site schools.

Life doesn’t get better by chance. It gets better by change.
- Jim Rohn