

**“Over 170,000 Cadets have graduated from 40 Youth Challenge Programs over the past 25+ years.**



**Remarkably, over 91% of these graduates -- former wayward high school dropouts -- have earned their GED or high school diploma while in the Program.”**

**‘Accepting the ChalleNGe’ provides a young person the OPPORTUNITY to learn how to make better choices...and enjoy a successful future.**



**For more information, visit our website and contact our Admissions Staff today!**

*Submitting an application does not obligate attendance at our tuition-free Academy. It simply provides the opportunity.*

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## Directions

**Idaho Youth ChalleNGe Academy  
117 Timberline Drive  
Pierce, ID 83546**

1. Take US-95 towards US-12.
2. Take US-12 to ID-11 N, the Gold Rush Historic Byway.
3. Take ID-11 N to Pierce.
4. ID-11 turns into Main Street.
5. Turn slight right onto Canal Street, just past the gas station.
6. Continue on paved road approximately 1/2 mile.
7. Road climbs a hill & the Academy is on the left.



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Class cycles begin each mid-January and mid-July.

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# Ready for the ChalleNGe?



**We Believe In  
SECOND CHANCES!**

# About the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy



The Idaho Youth Challenge Academy (IDYCA) is a holistic, quasi-military, fully-accredited residential high school. (We are NOT a boot camp, detention center

or treatment facility.) We utilize a disciplined and structured environment to ensure a productive learning environment. Our purpose is to intervene in and reclaim the lives of 16 - 18 year old students, and help them complete their high school education, while teaching them the values, life skills and self-discipline that will allow them to become responsible and productive citizens of Idaho.



## Overview

IDYCA is part of the National Guard Youth Challenge Program. Established under the authority of both federal and Idaho State law, IDYCA is a state-managed residential and post-residential Program for 16 - 18 year-olds who have dropped-out of high school or are at-risk of dropping out. There are currently forty (40) Youth Challenge Programs operating in thirty (30) states and Puerto Rico. IDYCA is tuition-FREE for students residing in Idaho, with start dates in January and July.



## Eligibility Requirements

- Females and males, 16-to-18 years of age.
- High school dropout or at-risk of dropping out, due to credit deficiency or other risk factors.
- Legal resident of Idaho and the United States.
- No felony charges.
- Willing to be drug-free upon enrollment.
- Willing to volunteer to participate.



## IDYCA is Tuition-FREE!



## IDYCA's 8-Core Components

- Academic Excellence
- Leadership and Followership
- Life Coping Skills
- Job Skills
- Service to the Community
- Responsible Citizenship
- Physical Fitness
- Health and Hygiene



## Multi-Phase Program

### 2-Week Acclimation Phase

The Acclimation Phase is the first two-weeks of the Residential Phase, and it provides the opportunity to identify students who have the desire and discipline to complete the Program. Students that are successful in completing the Acclimation Phase are then welcomed to enter the 20-week Residential Phase.



### 20-Week Residential Phase



IDYCA employs a structured quasi-military environment, with an emphasis in self-discipline, integrity, education, and the development of healthy lifestyles. IDYCA provides

students with the values, skills, and knowledge to recover up to 14 high school credits and return to their referring high school, or move into the next stage of their professional lives with a high school diploma or GED. Joint School District 171 of Orofino provides credentialed academic staff to teach academic subjects.

### 12-Month Post-Residential Phase

Students are matched with a mentor of their choosing, who assists with the young person's future action plan. After completing the Residential Phase, Graduates return to their hometowns and collaborate with their mentor, who provides advice, guidance, and support for the next 12-months. Mentors assist graduates in achieving post-graduation goals, i.e. return to high school, college, job, military, etc.

