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## **SAFE AND DRUG FREE SCHOOLS APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE TO IMPLEMENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES**

(BOISE) – The FY16 Safe and Drug Free School funding application is now available, Superintendent Ybarra announced today. During the 2015 legislative session, funding was allocated through [Senate Bill 1186](#) for districts to implement substance abuse prevention measures and school safety improvements. The funding formula calls for a base amount of \$2,000 for every district and public charter school plus a prorated amount for FY15 Average Daily Attendance (approximately \$13 per student).

To receive funding, districts and charters must provide a brief summary of outcomes related to previous Safe & Drug Free expenditures and a plan to train school staff in bullying prevention, as required by [House Bill 246](#). Safe and Drug Free Schools funding is made possible through available Idaho tobacco, cigarette and lottery income tax revenues; payments will be made on an ongoing basis as revenue allows.

It is important to note that funding for Safe and Drug Free Schools is generated through taxes on tobacco products and lottery winnings. Revenue is dependent upon sales, and winnings can be difficult to approximate. Given this variability, applications will be reviewed, approved, and funded as they are received and as revenue is available. If revenue is not available to fund approved applications, payments will be made as soon as the revenue is sufficient.

District Superintendents and Charter School Administrators have been authorized to access the SDFS application and may delegate access through the ISEE admin tool. The application may be accessed at the Safe & Drug Free Schools web page: [sde.idaho.gov/site/safe\\_drugfree/index.htm](http://sde.idaho.gov/site/safe_drugfree/index.htm) and the Safe and Drug Free Schools application may be directly accessed at <https://apps.sde.idaho.gov/sdfs>

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