



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

Digital Learning Day

WHEREAS, the world has been transformed by technology, making modern life more efficient, accessible, richer and faster, and the modern world demands that the United States have a highly trained workforce in order to compete in the global economy; and

WHEREAS, most industries and practices have embraced technology and used it to improve the way they do things; and

WHEREAS, digital learning and the effective use of technology can assist every teacher to do their job more effectively by providing real-time data to track individual student progress, create improved and efficient learning processes that gives teachers more time to spend with each student, and eliminate bureaucratic administrative burdens that take time away from teaching; and

WHEREAS, the nation has a growing fiscal crisis affecting state education budgets, a teacher shortage, and lack of a skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, more schools and teachers are exploring the use of high-quality digital learning and the effective use of technology to improve student learning; and

WHEREAS, it is important that any new change in learning methods and infusion of technology in schools be done in a high-quality manner that best helps every student and ensures public funding is being spent appropriately; and

WHEREAS, the first ever national Digital Learning Day will occur on February 1, 2012, in order to educate teachers, students, schools, parents, policymakers, and the public on ways to successfully integrate high-quality digital learning and the effective use of technology to help improve the learning of every student;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the state of Idaho, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2012 to be

Digital Learning Day

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-second.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE