



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, a highly skilled workforce is critical to Idaho and the nation’s competitiveness;
and

WHEREAS, Idaho students require a strong foundation in science, technology, engineering
and mathematics (STEM) to succeed in increasingly technical jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Department of Education, the Idaho State Board of Education,
the Idaho Division of Professional-Technical Education, business, industry and higher education
have partnered to establish the Idaho STEM initiative (i-STEM); and

WHEREAS, the i-STEM mission is “To enhance and develop excellence in STEM education
for Idaho's future;” and

WHEREAS, i-STEM supports professional development opportunities and resources for K-12
teachers which promote achievement and success in the way our students learn science, technology,
mathematics and engineering; and

WHEREAS, i-STEM has established resource centers at North Idaho College, Lewis-Clark
State College, College of Western Idaho, College of Southern Idaho, College of Technology-Idaho
State University, and Eastern Idaho Technical College to help improve the content knowledge, skills
and professional development of the STEM teacher workforce and to improve the physical and
technological resources available in STEM classrooms and other learning environments; and

WHEREAS, teachers and administrators will gather June 16-26 at six Idaho college and
university campuses for “2014 i-STEM Summer Institutes; Getting to the Core!” to enhance their
STEM teaching and learning and to better integrate STEM materials, place-based resources, and
STEM curriculum into their classrooms;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim
the month of June 2014 to be

STEM EDUCATION MONTH

in Idaho, and encourage educators and leaders in the government, business, technology and science
communities to continue this STEM partnership to help Idaho students better analyze, reason, access
technology and communicate solutions to the challenges of tomorrow.



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 June in the year of our Lord two thousand and
fourteen and of the Independence of the United
States of America the two hundred thirty-eighth and
of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-
fourth.

C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE