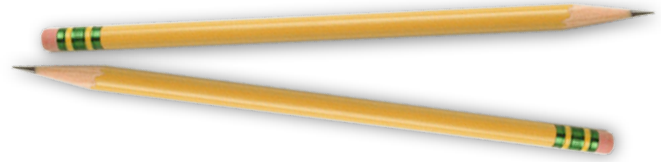


KIDS ARE PRETTY SMART.



Idaho Kids Count thinks they're smart too. We can learn a lot from them about what would help them succeed, what supports them best, and what they experience every day. And especially during these economic times, kids are coming up with great ideas for what programs and help they feel are important. So we're conducting a series of small group discussions with kids to learn more.

As part of our organization, your child has been invited to be part of one of these focus groups. What the kids say is compiled with what other kids say and is completely anonymous. Some of the ideas and thoughts will be presented to people who help design programs, policies, and opportunities for your child and family.

As an added bonus, the kids get to have a real voice in their government and schools - years before they will be able to vote. They will learn about research, focus groups and civic participation. The groups are fun for kids to boot. And, there are snacks. *Please see attached information and sign the permission form for your child to be able to participate.*