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April 20 Event Focuses on Technology, Autism and STEM Careers

Educators, counselors and the public are invited to "Avatars and Communications Skills," April 20, 11 a.m., at the Idaho Department of Labor in Twin Falls, 420 Falls Ave.

The event features Jennifer Gallup, Ph.D., and Joel O. Bocanegra, Ph.D., both Idaho State University professors, who will discuss new technologies that support and develop interpersonal relationships and soft skills required for STEM careers, specifically geared to adolescents and young adults with autism.

The presentation includes a demonstration of the potential of technology for building connections using an avatar and a simulated setting for students to practice communication and interview skills.

For more information, contact Sandy Hacking at (208) 735-2500 ext. 3654.

Attendees with disabilities needing reasonable accommodation to attend can contact Sandy Hacking at (208) 735-2500 ext. 3654. To access the Idaho Relay Service for the deaf and hard of hearing, dial 711.

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