Hello Idaho State University staff,

I am happy and honored to serve as Staff Council President for the 20-21 academic year. My previous two years on Staff Council have been a great opportunity to become more connected to ISU and the wonderful people who work here. I have served on committees to plan events, recognize employees for their years of service, and present information to recently hired staff at New Bengal Experience. It’s been fun!

These experiences have taught me that my job feels more rewarding and enriching when I reach outside my comfort zone and become involved in the ISU community. I also feel a vested interest in the growth and health of ISU. I'm hoping you will consider getting involved! A major purpose of Staff Council is to listen to the needs and concerns of staff and bring them to the attention of university policymakers. We want to ensure that the voice of staff is heard when decisions are made. Every ISU staff member is a part of an assigned Staff Council group represented by an individual who has been elected to a three-year term. Please find out who your [Representative](https://isu.edu/staffcouncil/staff-council-representatives/)is and contact him/her with ideas, questions, concerns, or just a hello!

In these uncertain COVID times, maybe the only thing we can predict for sure is that this will be a unique year! Staff council activities may not look like they have in the past, but know that we are diligently working to adapt to the circumstances. Our goal remains the promotion and development of programs, policies, and procedures which enhance Idaho State University in the pursuit of its mission.

Please contact me or any [Representative](https://isu.edu/staffcouncil/staff-council-representatives/#d.en.120672) if you have ideas or input.

Best to you,

Karen Ludwig

President, Staff Council 20-21