You may recall at our last meeting that I centered everything on Jane Austen and the geekery that is the Regency Period. Now, I’d like to tap into the other half of my brain and relate our rural-ness to all things Star Wars.
In Idaho, actually –
If you look closely, you can see that we are a state divided. Not to be outdone by Alaska, I submit to you ...
Troublesome Geographics –
The northern part of the state would like to be its own state altogether. You may not call them “northern” Idaho, they are North Idaho. Abe Lincoln, in his infinite wisdom, saw that this was not to be and allowed them to share the name Idaho with the rest of the state. He did, however, give them their own time zone. The road system in Idaho is a little disruptive as well. All roads lead north, unless you are south, then all roads lead west.
And you’ve seen the geographics of our states. Nothing is not rural.
We have approximately 1.5 million people in the state
Living in 44 counties
Being served by 150 school districts
That’s right 3.5 times the number of counties...
When creating our initial CACG proposal, we had
Delusions of grandeur
Sometimes we were afraid we were on the wrong team
And, frankly, we made some really, really bad choices
Over 50% of Idaho’s students participate in the FRL program, and you know half as many more qualify.

Only a third of our districts report being below 50% participation in the program. Only eight report in at less than 35%, three of which are charter schools.
Dual Credit
Dual credit has been funded since year one. We offer one dual credit course per student per semester up to eight credits for the entire year.
Eight in six
Dual Credit for Early Completers

200/400
Near Peer Mentor Program
One-offs

• College Application Week
• Center for New Directions
• GEAR UP Summit
• TRiO summer programs
Educate Idaho
College, Career, and Coffee

College Career and Coffee Meetings
College Search Engine
Not funded by CACG but has sustainable impact