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Idaho Courts This Week Honor Those Involved in Adoptions

Idaho's courts will celebrate National Adoption Day — this year Saturday, Nov. 22 — with a variety of events across the state.

"The Idaho State Judiciary recognizes the positive impact of a safe home and loving family in a child's life," Idaho Supreme Court Chief Justice G. Richard Bevan wrote in a <u>proclamation recognizing</u> all those who work in Idaho to connect foster children with adoptive homes.

Local courts will mark the occasion:

- On Nov. 21, the Fourth Judicial District will hold adoption hearings that morning at the Ada County Courthouse, 200 W. Front St. in Boise. Court and county staff will donate gift baskets, cakes and books to each newly adopted child after their hearing concludes.
- On Nov. 21, the Sixth Judicial District will feature kids' activities, speakers and information about adoption at an event from 2-4 p.m. MT at Southeast District Health, 1901 Alvin Ricken Drive in Pocatello.
- On Nov. 21, the Seventh Judicial District will feature speakers honoring the adults who made room in their lives and the children who waited patiently for their special family. This event will include a surprise for children in attendance to take home. It starts at 3 p.m. at the Jefferson County Courthouse, 210 Courthouse Way in Rigby.
- On Nov. 22, the Second Judicial District will partner with its local CASA program for a celebration in Lewiston for families who have adopted a child. The event will include refreshments, free family photos and more. Families who are interested in participating are asked to RSVP at this link by Nov. 20.

For more information on these events, contact the trial court administrator's office in the respective judicial district.

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