## Article for newsletter

## **Register for Kindergarten Today!**

Registering for kindergarten in the spring is a great way for families to access important resources, meet students and staff at their new school community, and learn about summer programs.

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELC) are collaborating with schools, districts, early learning providers, and community partners across the state to share the value of early registration to families.

You can support this effort by printing and distributing flyers, yard signs, and other helpful materials found in the <u>Register for Kindergarten Today! Toolkit</u>. These materials are translated in eight languages and supplement conversations with families about early registration and the transition into kindergarten.

What is the next step? Beginning April 2, 2024, please share this important message with your network and families: Will your student be five years old by September? Register for Kindergarten Today!

Questions? Email ODE.JumpStart@ode.oregon.gov