



What is Juntos?

Juntos means “Together” in Spanish and works to unite community partners to provide culturally relevant programming for 8-12th grade students and their parents. Programming is designed to empower families with knowledge, skills, and resources to prevent youth from dropping out of high school and to encourage families to work together to gain access to college.

INITIATIVE CROSS-CUTTING CRITICAL AREAS

Currently the program has 4 main components:

1. **Parent/Family Involvement 6-week workshop series:** increased collaboration between families and school districts, decreased dropout rates for underserved audiences.
2. **Parent/Family Involvement follow-up monthly family nights:** Empowerment of families to become engaged in their communities.
3. **Afterschool Clubs:** Academic success, Community service, college applications and financial aid, Leadership Development, cultural activities.
4. **College visits, summer camps and college/ program connections**

Juntos is located in 14 communities across Oregon with more than 700 family members actively working with a staff of 25 facilitators and 5 coordinators:

Site	Start year	K-12 students	Parents	Total Participants
Madras	2012	136	134	270 + new families Fall 2015
Culver	2013	23	22	45
Tillamook	2013	34	30	64 + new families Fall 2015
Warm Springs (Papalaxsimisha)	2014	-	-	25
Sisters	2014	24	22	46
The Dalles	2014	35	30	65 + new families Fall 2015
Hood River	2014	24	18	44 + new families Fall 2015
McMinnville	2015	24	18	42
Mosier	2014	16	20	36
Corvallis	2015	30	24	54 + new families Fall 2015
Redmond	2015	17	18	35 + new families Fall - Winter 2015
Hillsboro	2015	Data available Dec/15		new Fall 2015
Newport	2015	Data available Dec/15		new Fall 2015
Dayton	2015	Data available Dec/15		new Fall 2015
		Total: 363	Total: 336	Total participants by summer 2015: 699

Total number of K-12 Students served: 363

Contact Hours Parents (Participants x Programming hrs): 40 workshops / year

Contact Hours Students (Participants x Programming hrs): over 100 workshops / year

Native American Participants: 25

Latino/a Participants: over 699

Juntos outcomes:

- Increased collaboration between families and school districts
- Increased understanding of high school graduation requirements
- Increased high school graduation rates
- Increased understanding of and completion of college applications and financial aid
- Increased access to college
- Increased family empowerment to engage in their communities

Building Community Sustainability

Beyond the 6-week session, Juntos works with the students, families, school, and community to build upon the connections and knowledge they have established. To ensure sustainability in the community Juntos:

- Work with the local high school **or** the local 4-H Agent in OSU Extension to develop a club for the youth and a club for the families.
- Have monthly follow up meetings or regular workshops with families.
- **Train parents to become Juntos facilitators.**
- Certify volunteer hours for all the Juntos members who devote time to support new Juntos activities.

IMPACT

In the last three years, Juntos has been building a network of connections between families, schools, universities, and communities. This work strengthens relationships and opens doors for young people to gain a professional future, and has proven to be 100% successful. All young people who have attended Juntos with their families are transforming their academic and personal lives through an action plan with specific goals.

- From the first generation of Juntos in Tillamook, Madras, and Culver 100% of students graduated from school and 100% are attending college.
- High School graduation and College access rates in 2015 are 100% For Tillamook, Madras, and Culver. The newest sites are working with 9th and 10th grade students.
- Families who have served Juntos in past years come back not only to continue learning but also to help other families in their communities including The Dalles, Sisters, Madras, Culver, and Tillamook.
- All schools where Juntos offers its program have reported tremendous satisfaction with the results.

The Juntos model is successful in Oregon because of genuine relationships. Locally-based OSU Open Campus Coordinators strategically partner with local community organizations, school districts and community colleges to connect the educational system with families in a meaningful way.

Some Oregon Partners:	Jefferson County School District The Dalles School District
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Central Oregon Community College Oregon Coast Community College Chemeketa Community College Columbia Gorge Community College Linn Benton Community College Chalk Board Project The Better Together Quality Education Commission for the State of Oregon	Hood River School District Culver School District Sisters School District Redmond School District Corvallis School District Tillamook School District McMinnville School District 4H Latino Outreach UNIDOS Dayton High School Hillsboro High School
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AFTERNOTE

Juntos is part of a local collaborative innovation known as OSU Open Campus that brings together local educational institutions, county government and other partners to stimulate 1) college and career pathways for youth, 2) degree completion for placebound learners and 3) community, economic and professional development.

OSU Open Campus 2016 Budget	Salaries and Benefits	Open Campus Program (website, development, etc.)	Travel & Professional Dev	In-Kind (Space, phone, support, etc.)	Total
OSU Extension Service (General Support Fund)	233,784	17,500	36,500		287,784
OSU Ecampus (General Support Fund)	233,784	17,500	36,500		287,784
Ford Family Foundation	148,000				148,000
Oregon Community Colleges	144,931			60,000	204,931
Oregon Counties	116,000				116,000
New Legislative Funds	108,598		9,000		117,598
Center for Latina/o Studies & Engagement	68,447		2,000		70,447
Local OSU Extension Offices			12,000		12,000
Oregon K-12 Schools	10,215			40,000	50,215
Local Community Grants/Support		30,000			30,000
Crowdfunding Campaign		8,000			8,000
Sub-Total	1,053,544	73,000	47,500	100,000	1,332,758

1. <http://opencampus.oregonstate.edu/programs/engagement-academy/>
2. <http://opencampus.oregonstate.edu/programs/juntos/>
3. <https://create.osufoundation.org/project/54d1693514bdf746e5b0c088/wall>
4. <http://blogs.oregonstate.edu/opencampus/>
5. *Juntos Video Family Day* <https://vimeo.com/128046245>
6. *Juntos Video* <https://vimeo.com/111393972>

OSU Juntos Map

Active:

- 1 Madras 2011
- 2 Culver 2013
- 3 Tillamook 2013
- 4 Warm Springs (Papalaxsimisha) 2014
- 5 Sisters 2014
- 6 The Dalles 2014
- 7 Hood River 2014
- 8 Mosier 2014
- 9 McMinnville 2015
- 10 Corvallis 2015
- 11 Redmond 2015
- 12 Hillsboro 2015
- 13 Newport 2015
- 14 Dayton 2015

Initial conversations:

- 15 Prineville 2015
- 16 Eugene 2015

