

ACCELERATING LEARNING IN K-8 MATH AND LITERACY

\$7 million invested



What is this initiative?

This project supports Oregon educators in addressing unfinished learning, specifically in literacy and mathematics in K-8. ODE will invest funds to **strengthen instructional leadership** and educator networks throughout the state, develop educator **resources to accelerate student learning**, and create **professional learning opportunities**.

Goals

Initially, part of this funding will be used to establish an Instructional Leader Cadre. ODE will recruit and identify **Oregon instructional leaders across the state within K-8 math and literacy**, as well as those who instruct students who are identified as English learners and students experiencing disabilities.

- » **Develop educator resources to accelerate student learning.** ODE will coordinate with higher education staff, content experts, and instructional Leader Cadre members to develop learning resources and materials that foster accelerated learning in math and literacy and ensure that resources are relevant, inclusive, and accessible to all students.
- » **Conduct summer Educator Summit.** ODE will coordinate with higher education staff, content experts, and instructional Leader Cadre members to host a **statewide summer learning summit for educators** in 2024 to showcase educator resources to accelerate learning and provide professional learning for attendees. **Resources will be posted on the ODE website and Oregon Open Learning.**



Benefits

Oregon students need **support to accelerate learning** they may have missed or delayed due to the pandemic. This investment is intended to **create learning resources**, professional connections, and relationships to help students develop as readers, writers, speakers, and critical thinkers. Opportunities for professional learning and resource development within Cadre projects **focus on addressing unfinished learning in math and literacy**, especially for students facing disparities exacerbated by the pandemic, such as multilingual learners and students with disabilities. These projects, led by educators, currently span approximately 65 school districts across the state and include 93 instructional leaders and 329 educators.



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Use of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds in Oregon

Since 2020, Oregon has received \$1.62 billion in Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds to support the needs of all students, with a focus on historically excluded communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The state has allocated 90 percent of its allotment to school districts to spend based on their community's unique needs. ODE has distributed the other 9.5% (0.5% used for Administrative costs) to support 12 equity-driven initiatives designed to address unfinished learning, support our students' and staff's health, safety, and mental wellness, and strengthen high-quality, culturally-sustaining instruction and leadership. These initiatives are designed for all students and are specifically centered on equitably serving Oregon's Black, Latino, Latina, Latinx, Indigenous, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Tribal students, students with disabilities, students who identify as LGBTQ2SIA+; emerging bilingual; and those navigating foster care, houselessness, and poverty, and those with limited access to resources due to rural location.