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Salem, OR – The Oregon Department of Education, on behalf of the Educator Advancement Council (EAC) released a Request for Applications (RFA) today seeking regional organizations and consortiums interested in serving as a Sponsoring Organization/Fiscal Agent for Regional Education Networks (REns) starting in the Fall of 2019.

Oregon is embarking on a strategy using regional networks to promote the development of educators from the time they consider entering the profession through the hiring and induction process, professional learning, and career advancement.

Each Sponsoring Organization for REN will serve as the primary convener for local educators, community members and stakeholders committed to supporting diversity, professional learning and experiences of the educator workforce to assess local needs and then tailor systems to support educators within their region.

Ten (10) regions are envisioned across the state and each REN will be authorized by the EAC to coordinate resources supporting school districts in developing and testing changes to their systems designed to support educators based on local data and criteria.

Those seeking to apply to serve as Sponsoring Organizations can access the Request for Application through the Oregon Procurement Information Network (ORPIN). Organizations must register on ORPIN to participate. To learn more and register at no charge, go to the ORPIN Supplier Guide to Registration. Applications will be due on July 29, 2019.

The EAC will sponsor a webinar on June 24, 2019, from 2-3:30 p.m. to describe the RFA in more detail and invite questions relative to the RFA. Register for the webinar here. To sign up for all EAC updates or access more information on the envisioned role and news related to the Regional Educator Networks, go to: Sign Me Up.

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