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High Poverty Schools Throughout Oregon Receive Funding
For Academic Enrichment Programs

(Salem, Ore.) – The Oregon Department of Education announced today that 24 grants have been awarded to Oregon school districts and community partners through the 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) grant program.

Thanks to the grant funds, 95 centers will be established in 26 school districts over the coming five years. The centers, which offer academic and enrichment opportunities, are designed to improve student achievement in high-poverty schools through high-quality programs offered outside of the regular school day. In the first year of this five year grant, a total of $10.67 million will be awarded to Oregon schools.

“Whether in class or after school, every hour of every day is a learning opportunity,” said Colt Gill, Director of the Oregon Department of Education. “I’m thrilled that students throughout the state will have more opportunities to improve in a variety of academic subjects including reading and math, and to study nutrition, financial literacy and other life skills.”

21st Century Community Learning Center grants have been awarded through the Oregon Department of Education since 2002. These competitive grants are funded through the federal Title IV-B program, part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. The current awardees will receive funding from 2018 through 2023. Grant award amounts range from $178,800 to $480,000 per year. Schools receive 100% of this award amount for the first three years of the grant. Years four and five are funded at 75%.

21st Century Community Learning Center grants are highly competitive. Applications undergo a rigorous peer review process from qualified reviewers across the state who are knowledgeable in and experienced with quality practices related to achieving student outcomes in regular school day and after-school programs. All eligible applications are placed in rank order by the Oregon Department of Education to determine funding.

“The Oregon Department of Education and the Federal Systems team are so excited to partner with the new recipients of the 21st Century CCLC grant for the next five years,” said Deb Lange, Director of Federal Systems for the Oregon Department of Education. “We understand the importance of this
funding and the impact it will have on improving student outcomes in Oregon. The detailed, student focused and high-quality program designs will provide opportunities for increased academic achievement outside of school hours. We highly anticipate student progress and success through this funding stream and look forward to personally connecting and supporting each site."

Below is a list of Oregon school districts and community partners receiving 2018-2023 21st Century Community Learning Center grants and the amount at which they will be funded this year:

Baker School District $178,800
Beaverton School District $479,939
Central School District $473,362
Centennial School District $480,000
Columbia Gorge Education Service District (Serving North Wasco County and Dufur School Districts) $451,372
Corvallis School District $433,725
Curry Public Library (Serving Central Curry School District) $257,248
David Douglas School District $480,000
East Linn County Consortia (Serving Sweet Home and Lebanon School Districts) $470,611
Eugene School District $479,997
Forest Grove School District $479,419
Gresham-Barlow School District $479,850
Hood River County School District $479,987
Jefferson County School District $480,000
Klamath Falls City School District $480,000
Lincoln County School District $480,000
McMinnville School District $479,396
Metropolitan Family Services (Serving Reynolds School District) $479,663
Nestucca Valley School District $339,423
North Clackamas School District $480,000
Oregon City School District $407,482
Salem-Keizer Education Foundation (Serving Salem-Keizer School District) $471,533
Umatilla School District $467,573
Woodburn School District $480,000

Additional information can be found on the Title IV-B webpage.

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