2019 – 2020 Oregon Summative Assessment Item Writing Development (ELA 3rd – HS & Math 6th – 8th)

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking educators interested in participating as item writers for the Oregon Summative Assessments in ELA and Mathematics. This commitment would include time for both onsite training and item review, as well as time for independent development of items. Successful applicants would be signed on as temporary employees of ODE and would receive compensation at the standard ODE rate for item developers (\$35.32 per hour).

ODE is recruiting the following item writers:

• ELA: Grades 3 – High School

• Math: Grades 6 – 8

The initial training and meetings will be held in Salem, OR in early March: Date TBD

Following the March training days, item writers would then commit to writing items remotely in preparation for the additional in-person meetings in Salem to review and edit items in mid-April, and again in the first week of May, *Date TBD*

Please complete the following <u>application</u> and submit by no later than Thursday, February 6, 2020. ODE will notify successful applicants for both ELA and math by Monday, February 10, 2020 of their inclusion in the project, along with information on next steps. ODE will prioritize selection based on educator and regional diversity, active classroom educators and instructional coaches, grade band item development, and a combination of both new and experienced item writing experience.

Those on a contract for the training and item development days would be eligible to have their districts reimbursed for substitute costs, and participants will be reimbursed for approved travel expenses.

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