



## Well-Rounded Access Program Update

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The **Well-Rounded Access Program Update** is the Oregon Department of Education's (ODE) primary communication tool for topics related to the Well-Rounded Access Program (WRAP). In October 2020, Oregon received a five-year, **\$9.8 million grant** to expand access to well-rounded education courses. Since this time, WRAP has worked with partners across the state to:

- Expand access to Patterns Science, a series of high school science courses;
- Expand access to Exploring Computer Science, a 9th grade level computer science course;
- Create Arts, Care & Connection, a series of K-5 integrated arts and SEL lessons; and
- Develop native arts lessons for K-12.

More information about this program can be found on [ODE's Expanding Access to Well-Rounded Education webpage](#).

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## In This Message

- **Learn more** about the four courses sponsored through this program: Patterns Science; Exploring Computer Science; Arts, Care & Connection; and Native Arts.
- **Sign up** for professional development related to these courses.
- **Learn more** about activities scheduled for the final year of this grant.

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## Patterns Science

The Patterns Approach to science instruction emphasizes the use of mathematical and phenomenological patterns to predict the future, make data-informed decisions in the present, and understand the past. **Free, openly licensed curriculum** is available online at [hsscience4all.org](https://hsscience4all.org) for high school Physics, Chemistry, and Biology.

[Sign up](#) for professional development (PD) opportunities today!

For more information, please contact:

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- **Dr. Casey Boothby** ([boothbc@eou.edu](mailto:boothbc@eou.edu)) for information about support for rural teachers.
- **David Strayer** ([david.strayer@pdxstem.org](mailto:david.strayer@pdxstem.org)) for information about receiving payment for attending PD.



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## Well-Rounded Computer Science

The **Well-Rounded Computer Science project** and **CS for Oregon** intersects closely with the [Computer Science Education Statewide Implementation Plan](#), and is focused on bringing equitable computer science education K-12 to Oregon students. **Save the date** for the [CS Summer Equity Summit July 28 - August 1, 2025](#) in Bend, Oregon! Here, you can [let us know](#) if you're interested in the following opportunities, including a daily participant stipend:



- **Exploring Computer Science Professional Development:** (July 28 - Aug 1) Five-day residential cohort program for Oregon high school teachers interested in teaching a foundational computer science (CS) course. No prior CS experience necessary!
- **E-Textiles Teacher Professional Development:** (July 28 - July 31) Make fabric-based crafts with conductive thread, microcontrollers, lights, sensors, and other electronic components. Prerequisite: 1 year or more of ECS teaching experience, or art teacher colleague of an ECS teacher.
- **Computational Thinking in Elementary Workshop:** (July 29 & 30) Teachers will learn the fundamentals of computational thinking (CT) and discover its applications

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across core subjects. They will learn how to integrate CI concepts into their curriculum, enhancing student understanding and critical thinking skills.

- **School Leaders Workshop:** (July 29 & 30) Gain a deeper understanding of the barriers and opportunities for implementing equitable CS education in schools and districts in alignment with Oregon's Statewide CS Implementation Plan.
- **ECS Refresh for Experienced Teachers:** (July 30 & 31) Two-day residential cohort program for experienced ECS teachers to explore updated lessons in curriculum version 10.

For more information, please visit the [CS Summer Equity Symposium site](#).



## Arts, Care & Connection

**Arts, Care & Connection Launch:** Oregon is leading the way in arts-integrated education with the launch of the Arts, Care & Connection (ACC) initiative, a **free resource** providing K-5 educators with high-quality, artist-led learning modules.

Developed by Arts for Learning Northwest in collaboration with ODE, arts partners, and teaching artists across Oregon, the ACC project will culminate in **96 stand-alone, one-hour learning modules**, each including a detailed lesson plan, instructional videos, and a slide deck. These lessons align with the Oregon Arts Standards and Oregon's Transformative Social Emotional Learning Framework, ensuring accessibility and effectiveness for all educators, regardless of artistic background. **Modules are currently available [online](#)**, with additional lessons added throughout 2025.

**Already using these lessons?** For the 2024-25 school year, educators implementing Arts, Care & Connection lessons can receive **free classroom art materials** for providing feedback from students and families through the Well-Rounded Courses Access Grant funds. Our [feedback guide](#) explains the process to gather feedback and **request your free art materials!** Please take the time to complete the few easy steps, so we can share our gratitude for your participation!

For more information or to schedule a site visit, contact us at [ODE.WRCoursesGrant@ode.oregon.gov](mailto:ODE.WRCoursesGrant@ode.oregon.gov).



## Native Arts

### Speak/Sing Native™

The Oregon Department of Education is partnering with Speak/Sing Native™, a multidisciplinary K-12 music education curriculum that aligns with Oregon state standards and the Tribal History/Shared History initiative. The professional development team offers in-person workshop opportunities, a professional learning community, and educator stipends to support your growth.

Lessons are in development and will become available this school year. To learn more and schedule [professional development](#) for the Speak/Sing Native™ program, please email [ODE.WRCoursesGrant@ode.oregon.gov](mailto:ODE.WRCoursesGrant@ode.oregon.gov).

## Tribal-Specific Content

In addition to this project, the WRAP team is working with the [Coquille Indian Tribe](#) and the [Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw](#) to create additional Tribal specific lessons that integrate arts learning! Stay tuned this school year for updates on their release.

## Contact Us

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