

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](#).

In This Message

- **Sign up** for Science and Computer Science Professional Development!
- Learn more about well-rounded **courses that are available for you to use for free!**
- Request **free classroom supplies** by helping us learn more about Arts, Care & Connection lesson use!
- **Improve** Computer Science education in this state by providing feedback to us!



Patterns Science

Planning on teaching [Patterns Science](#) next school year? **Sign up for Free Professional Development this summer! This is the last year this training will be free!**

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 for high school **Physics, Chemistry, and Biology**.

Physics

- **Physics Units 1-3:** July 28 - August 1
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
- **Physics Units 4-6:** August 4 - August 8
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)

Chemistry

- **Chemistry Units 4-6:** July 21 - July 25
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
- **Chemistry Units 1-3:** July 28 - August 1
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)

Biology

- **Biology Units 1-3:** August 11 - August 15
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
- **Biology Units 4-6:** August 4 - August 8
 - [Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)
 - [Outside of Oregon Teacher Registration Link](#)

Cost:

- **Oregon Teachers** and Oregon pre-service teachers: **Registration cost is FREE** (paid for by the WRAP grant). *Stipends are unavailable for attendance, but 30 PDU hours are available for each workshop.*
- **Rural Oregon Teachers:** However, if travel and lodging cost is a barrier, we're here to help! Click [this link](#) to apply for a reimbursable stipend to help defray costs of attendance.

For more information, please contact:

- **Dr. Susan Holveck** (susan.holveck@pdxstem.org) and **Bradford Hill** (bradford.hill@pdxstem.org) for questions about the curriculum and PD sessions.
- **Dr. Casey Boothby** (boothbc@eou.edu) for information about support for rural teachers.
- **David Strayer** (david.strayer@pdxstem.org) for questions about cost and PD registration.



Well-Rounded Computer Science

Computer Science for Oregon is hosting a **free** one-week, in-person professional development session for educators who are interested in teaching Exploring Computer Science, a high school foundational computer science course, next school year. This professional development will be held **July 28 - August 1, 2025** at **OSU Cascades in Bend, Oregon**.

Educators will also receive a **daily \$250 stipend and hotel accommodation** for their attendance. Check out this [2-minute video](#) to learn more about this program, which is open to high school teachers with any credential.



- If you are interested in teaching **Exploring Computer Science** for the first time next school year or are already teaching this course and need a refresher, [sign up](#) for professional development this summer, while spaces are available. *This opportunity is appropriate for those already teaching computer science as well as those with no computer science experience and wanting to get into the field.*
- If you are an administrator who would like more information about how to build up a computer science program in your school or district, there's [professional development](#) available for you too!
- [Sign up](#) today, and [spread the word](#) with others! These workshops are being supported in part through the Well-Rounded Access Program, funded through a 5-year, \$9.8 million Federal Course Access grant, which will be ending in September, and this may also be the **last opportunity to attend this professional development for free**.

For more information, visit the [CS for Oregon website](#) or email csfororegon@gmail.com.



Arts, Care & Connection

Arts, Care & Connection: 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. **Modules are currently available [online](#)**, with additional lessons added throughout 2025.

Check out this new featured lesson, [Express Yourself with Animal Songs](#), for some puppetry and songwriting fun with teaching artist Andy Ferguson, also known as Red Yarn!

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.



Native Arts Update: Coquille Indian Tribe Arts Lessons Available!

We're excited to announce the newest addition to our *Native Arts Lessons* collection—[educational resources](#) developed by the [Coquille Indian Tribe](#) are now available!

These lessons are part of a broader **Native Arts initiative** designed to **support educators and students in deepening their understanding of the rich cultural and artistic traditions of Oregon's Tribes**. Rooted in collaboration, respect, and authenticity, this work highlights both historical and contemporary practices of local Indigenous communities.

The Native Arts project aims to:

- Honor Tribal cultural practices and foster awareness of their diversity and depth by incorporating the [9 Essential Understandings](#) of Native Americans in Oregon and [Oregon Arts Standards](#) into the curriculum.
- Ensure arts educators and their students gain greater awareness and understanding of the cultural and artistic practices of local Tribes, and how to honor and respect these traditions when making art.
- Promote the use of culturally responsive teaching practices and facilitate deeper, more specific knowledge sharing around Indigenous arts and cultural practices across Oregon.
- Support representation of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) students in educational content, aligning with the [AI/AN Student Success Plan](#).

These lessons do not replace, but rather supplement, the required [Tribal History/Shared History lessons](#) for schools, and offer powerful opportunities for educators to bring culturally rich, respectful, and meaningful learning into their classrooms, while helping students of all backgrounds connect with and learn from Indigenous creative and artistic traditions.

Additional Tribal-Specific Arts Content

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

Oregon Elementary CS Landscape Survey

Calling ALL Oregon elementary school teachers, principals, and district superintendents!

Your feedback is crucial. Help shape the future of computer science education in our state by distributing this [flyer](#) and participating in our survey. The survey will take about 15 minutes and you'll have a chance to win a \$30 Amazon gift card!

Take the survey now and make a difference!

- [Survey for elementary school teachers](#)
- [Survey for elementary school principals/vice principals](#)
- [Survey for district superintendents](#)
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Other ODE Updates

Oregon's State Summer Learning Grants

In just a few short weeks since HB 2007 was signed into law, the Oregon Department of Education has released the final grant awards for Summer 2025. A total of 135 entities including school districts, charter schools, ESDs, and Tribes have been funded to provide high-quality summer learning opportunities focused on literacy across the state.

This rapid implementation reflects the strong commitment from Governor Kotek and the Legislature to ensure more Oregon students have access to meaningful learning and enrichment beyond the school year.

For more information, visit the [State Summer Learning webpage](#).

Contact Us

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