

Oregon Department of Education Well-Rounded Access Program Update

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Well-Rounded Access Program (WRAP)



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

New WRAP Resources Available



Webinar Recording

In October, the Well-Rounded Access Program hosted a *How to Support Well-Rounded Opportunities with Federal Funds* webinar. During this time, we consulted with experts at the Oregon Department of Education and walked through how to support well-

rounded opportunities using Federal Funds. Participants received an overview of federal funding sources, including Title, Perkins, and IDEA funding. In addition, participants gained a more indepth understanding of what well-rounded means and how to use these funding resources for well-rounded opportunities identified by their communities.

The <u>recording</u> of this training has been posted to our <u>website</u>. Please watch and share this resource!

Resource Guide

In addition to the webinar, we released a <u>short guide</u> that includes basic information about funding sources that exist to promote well-rounded learning. Please use and share this resource with others!

Well-Rounded Access Program Landscape Survey for Education Administrators



The STEM Research Center at Oregon State University is conducting <u>a brief survey</u> on behalf of the Oregon Department of Education's (ODE) Well-Rounded Access Program (WRAP). The purpose of the survey is to **understand your views about STEM/STEAM and Arts** opportunities currently available to K-12 youth in Oregon - **it will take about 10-15 minutes to complete**.

Note: This survey is only collecting the responses of **school and district leaders**. Additional landscape surveys will be administered in the future to collect the responses of teachers and other educators.

STEM Center researchers will collect and analyze the survey data, and your answers will be anonymous. Only data summaries will be shared with ODE, so please answer as honestly as

possible. The data will be used to help ODE better support STEM/STEAM and Arts education in your schools. The <u>survey</u> is optional and will be open through December 16, 2022.

Looking for Elementary School Science Teachers

The STEM Research Center at Oregon State University is conducting an evaluation of the ODE Well-Rounded Access Program. As part of our evaluation activities, OSU is interested in learning more about what science topics and activities elementary school teachers teach and how science is integrated into daily learning activities. OSU invites all interested elementary school teachers to apply to participate in a 30-45 minute online interview or focus group to discuss these issues. OSU can offer a \$50 gift card to compensate for your time. If you are interested in participating, please fill out this short survey asking for your contact information and where/what you teach. OSU will choose up to 10 teachers to participate.



Statewide Computer Science Plan Engagement Sessions



Your Voice Matters!

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) are hosting engagement sessions in the coming months to discuss and share ideas on the 2022 Governor's computer science directive. We are hoping to hear from educators, career connected partners, students, families, community members from across the state. Please share these invitations with your communities.

Purpose:

The purpose of this engagement is to:

- Provide information about Governor Kate Brown's computer science directive.
- Learn about the stories, perspectives, and ideas of those interested in creating equitable opportunities for computer science for all students across Oregon.

Registration:

Engagement Sessions with a Focus for Students, Families, and Community Members:

- Tuesday, December 13, 2022 5:30 7:00 PM (Facilitated in English) Registration Link
- Tuesday, December 20, 2022 5:30 7:00 PM (Facilitated in English) Registration Link
- Tuesday, January 10, 2023 6:00 7:30 PM (Facilitated in Spanish) Registration Link

Translated Invitations: <u>lengua española [Spanish]</u>, <u>шьы шығ [Arabic]</u>, <u>pусский язык</u> [Russian], <u>ngôn ngữ tiếng Việt [Vietnamese]</u>, <u>Af-soomaali [Somali]</u>, 简体中文 [Chinese]

Engagement Sessions with a Focus for Career Connected Partners:

- Tuesday, December 6, 2022 8:30 10:00 AM Registration Link
- Thursday, January 5, 2023 1:30 3:00 PM Registration Link

Engagement Sessions with a Focus for Education Partners:

- Tuesday, December 6, 2022 4:00 5:30 PM Registration Link
- Friday, December 16, 2022 3:30 5:00 PM Registration Link

ASL

Engagement sessions will be held virtually via Zoom and include live captioning and ASL Interpreters; please email the <u>Computer Science account</u> to indicate this request.

If you would like us to schedule an additional engagement session in a language other than English, Spanish, or ASL, please email the <u>Computer Science account</u>. Depending upon the number of requests for this option, we may set up additional sessions. We will also have engagement materials available in English, Chinese, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, Somali, and Arabic at each session and available upon request by emailing the <u>Computer Science</u> account.

Please <u>email</u> us if you are a member of an organization that is unable to participate in one of the above events and would like to schedule another time with us.

We look forward to learning from you!

Statewide OER Workshop: Explore the Multilingual/English Learner Resource Bank - December 8, 2022

To celebrate the launch of the Multilingual/English Learner Resource Bank, the Oregon Open Learning team will host a statewide OER workshop on Thursday, December 8th from 4:00 - 5:30 pm (PST). Join us to learn more about this new collection of resources that meet the rigorous standards of the Oregon OER Quality Framework and serve as exemplars of culturally responsive instruction, intentionally designed to support multilingual learners. This virtual workshop will be an interactive professional learning event that will provide an introduction to the Hub and time to explore these new



Register for the event here and share the opportunity with your colleagues. Contact the Oregon Open Learning Team at OregonOpenLearning@ode.oregon.gov with any questions. Sign up to receive the Oregon Open Learning quarterly newsletter.

For questions or comments, please email <u>ODE.WRCoursesGrant@ode.state.or.us</u>. To subscribe to this or other State Government newsletters, please visit the <u>GovDelivery website</u>. You can access this topic by scrolling to the Professional Learning Topic and selecting Well-Rounded Courses Access.

ODE's Equity Stance: Education equity is the equitable implementation of policy, practices, procedures, and legislation that translates into resource allocation, education rigor, and opportunities for historically and currently marginalized youth, students, and families including civil rights protected classes. This means the restructuring and dismantling of systems and institutions that create the dichotomy of beneficiaries and the oppressed and marginalized. To find out more about ODE's work in education equity, please visit ODE's Office of Equity. Diversity and Inclusion website.

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