

# Latino/a/x & Indigenous\* Advisory Group Meeting

February 21, 2023

Oregon Department of Education



1. Welcome & Agenda Review

2. Guest Presentation: **ODE Legislative Update** 

3. Legislative Update Discussion

3. Advisory Membership update

4. Grantee Presentation

5. Announcements & Closing



# **ODE Legislative Update**

Oregon Department of Education



# 2023 Session Overview

Government Relations & External Affairs Team Office of the Director

### **Overview**



- Grounding Our Work
- Legislative Structure
- ODE's Draft Legislative Agenda for 2023

# Grounding Our Work

## **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.

#### **Antiracist Policy Making**

#### Antiracist

One who is supporting an antiracist policy through their actions or expressing an antiracist idea.

### **Antiracist Policy**

An antiracist policy is any measure that produces or sustains racial equity between racial groups.

**Policy:** Written and unwritten law, rules, procedures, processes, regulations, and guidelines that govern people.

#### **ODE Equity Strategic Plan**

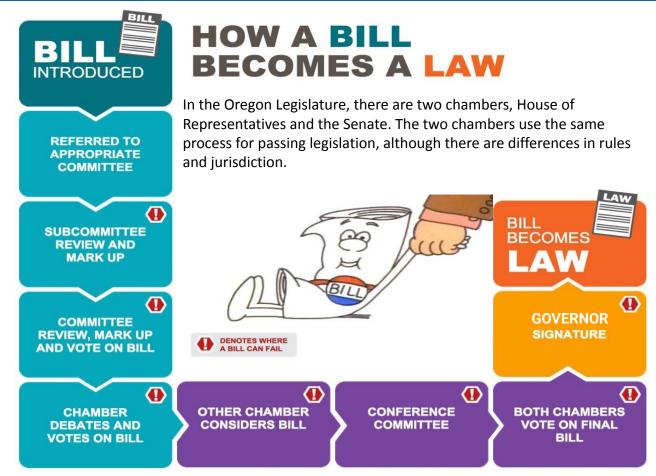
G3: We continually expand our capacity for & commitment to diverse & inclusive partnerships in service of Education equity

> Strategy 3A: Seek opportunities to develop and deepen equitable partnership and collaboration with the federally recognized tribal governments in Oregon.

Strategy 3C: systemize use of ODE Equity Lens to evaluate proposed agency concepts & policy options packages

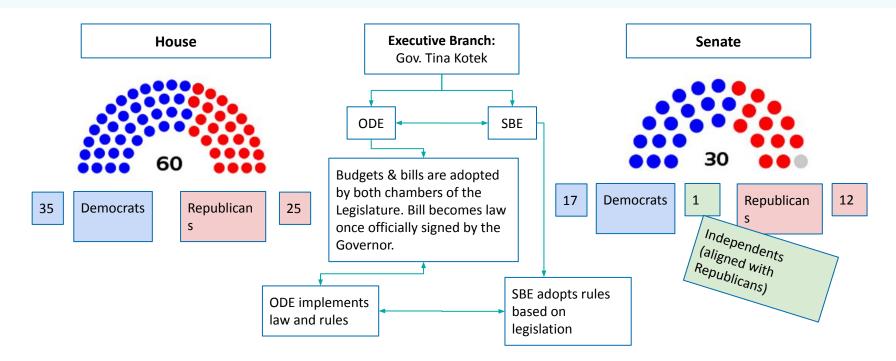
Strategy 3C Outcome: Agency can demonstrate processes and protocols with the state legislature and other state agencies sustain the ODE equity lens at the center regardless of individuals in role.

# Legislative Structure



Oregon Department of Education

### Legislative Structure & Education Policy Governance



### **Current Structure: Committees**

Policy Committee	<ul> <li>Most of the substantial policy decisions happen in policy committees</li> <li>Policy bills that cost \$ are sent to budget committees</li> <li>Bills can die in policy committees</li> </ul>
Budget Committee	<ul> <li>If a policy bill has cost associated with it, the budget committee will determine how much the legislature will spend on it</li> <li>Budget committee also discusses the agency budget, positions and program cost</li> <li>Both policy bills and budget decisions can die here</li> </ul>

### **Current Structure: Committees**

#### **Policy Committees**

#### Senate Education Committee

- Sen. Michael Dembrow, Chair (D)
- Sen. Suzanne Weber, VC (R)
- Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin (D)
- Sen. Lew Frederick (D)
- Sen. Dick Anderson (D)
- Sen. Art Robinson (R)
- Sen. Rob Wagner (D)

#### House Education Committee

- Rep. Courtney Neron, Chair (D)
- Rep. Boomer Wright, VC (R)
- Rep. Zach Hudson, VC (D)
- Rep. Tracy Cramer (R)
- Rep. Emily McIntire (R)
- Rep. Hoa Nguyen (D)
- Rep. Andrea Valderrama (D)

#### **Budget Committees**

Joint Ways & Means Sub Ed Committee

- Sen. Lew Frederick, Co-Chair (D)
- Rep. Susan McLain, Co-Chair (D)
- Sen. Suzanne Weber (R)
- Sen. Michael Dembrow (D)
- Rep. Hoa Nguyen (D)
- Rep. Tracy Cramer (R)
- Rep. Emily McIntire (R)
- Rep. Ricki Ruiz (D)

### **Current Structure: Legislative Leadership**

#### Senate Majority Leadership

- President Rob Wagner
- President Pro Tempore Designate James Manning
- Majority Leader Kate Lieber
- Deputy Majority Leader Janeen Sollman
- Majority Whip Sara Gelser Blouin
- Majority Whip Lew Frederick
- Assistant Majority Leader Kayse Jama
- Assistant Majority Leader WInsvey Campos

#### Senate Minority Leadership

- Minority Leader Tim Knopp
- Deputy Minority Leader Dick Anderson
- Deputy Minority Leader Lynn Findley
- Deputy Minority Leader Kim Thatcher
- Deputy Minority Leader Daniel Bonham
- Minority Whip Dennis Linthicum

#### House Majority Leadership

- House Speaker Dan Rayfield
- Majority Leader Julie Fahey
- Speaker Pro Tempore Paul Holvey
- Majority Whip Andrea Valderrama
- Deputy Majority Whip Rob Nosse
- Assistant Majority Leader Pam Marsh
- Assistant Majority Leader Jason Kropf
- Assistant Majority Leader Dacia Grayber

#### House Minority Leadership

- House Minority Leader Vikki Breese-Iverson
- Deputy Minority Leader Shelly Boshart Davis
- Minority Whip E. Werner Reschke
- Deputy Minority Whip Kim Wallan
- Deputy Minority Whip Lily Morgan
- Assistant Minority Leader Rick Lewis
- Assistant Minority Leader David Brock Smith
- Ex-Officio Greg Smith



**ORGANIZATIONA POST WORK DEADLINE FOR TARGET SINE 1st CHAMBER POST WORK** L DAYS: 9th LC TO RETURN SESSION **DIE:** 15th **DEADLINE:** 4th **SESSION DRAFT TO DEADLINE:** 17th **DEADLINE:** 5th LC DRAFT CONSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS: 17th REQUEST SINE DIE: 25th 2nd CHAMBER **DEADLINE: MEASURE DEADLINE:** 19th 13th INTRODUCTION **DEADLINE:** 21st **SESSION STARTS**:

January 17th

### For more information

 Log on to <u>www.oregonlegislature.gov</u> for a broad range of legislative information, including schedules and contact information for all 90 legislators.

### ODE's Draft Legislative Agenda for 2023

#### **Moving Equity Forward**

#### Good Governance

- Pacific Islander / Native Hawaiian Student Success Plan
- Refugee & Immigrant Student
   Success Plan
- Professional Development for Ethnic Studies & Holocaust/Genocide
- Definition of Consent for School Policies
- District Appointed Civil Rights Coordinator

- Grant Consolidation Work
- Technical Fix Omnibus



Questions contact us

Oregon Department of Education

### **Discussion Questions**

- What are your initial reactions to the presentation?
- How do we feel about the bills this session and how they could potentially impact Latinx students and families?
- What role can the Advisory members play in supporting these bills in this Legislative Session?
- Are there any particular bills or topics Advisory members want to get an update about in a future Advisory meeting this Leg Session?



Oregon Department of Education

It's time to update our Advisory membership!

- Full Advisory created and convened in December 2020
- Started with a large Advisory Group (25!)
- Some members have stepped down voluntarily
- Other members have dropped off

Staggered terms ensure some continuity from year to year:

Advisor 1	June 2023		June 2025	
Advisor 2		June 2024		June 202
Advisor 3	June 2023		June 2025	
Advisor 4		June 2024		June 202
Advisor 5	June 2023		June 2025	
Advisor 6		June 2024		June 202

The Department shall form an advisory group consisting of individuals representing:

- Urban and rural communities;
- Indigenous and immigrant populations;
- English language learners;
- Individuals with disabilities;
- Parents and students;
- Youth who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or another minority gender or sexual orientation;
- Community-based organizations serving Latinx youth and families; and
- Education stakeholders, including representatives of the Early Learning Division, the Youth Development Division and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

Responsibilities of members:

- Attend advisory group meetings. Meetings will be held remotely to allow for full participation of advisory group members across the state.
- Share relevant information from communities to the Advisory Group.
- Connect with constituents and local networks to share with the Advisory Group.
- Review minutes and materials prior to meetings.
- Inform ODE staff if you anticipate missing one or more meetings.

#### **Timeline & Next Steps:**

- Today: Current Advisory members whose terms end in June 2023 will confirm to Michael if they wish to renew for a 2nd term by March 3rd
- March: ODE staff will review and revise Letter of Intent and application process to share with Advisory Group at March meeting for feedback
- April: Outreach and recruitment of new Advisory members
- **May**: Review and select new Advisory members

Oregon Department of Education

#### **Timeline & Next Steps:**

- June: Outreach and orientation with new Advisory members
  - 16 member Advisory Group
- July-Aug: Planning for September Retreat (in-person)
- September: Annual Latinx Advisory Retreat



# **Grantee Presentation**

### Southern Oregon University

Oregon Department of Education



# **Strengthening Latino/a/x Youth!**



## **Our Team**

#### **Monserrat Alegria**

Latino/a/x Programs Coordinator

#### **Genesis Beas**

Latino/a/x Programs Coordinator

#### **Rachel Jones**

• Director, Outreach & Engagement

#### Vanessa Vega

Medford HS Site Coordinator

#### **Dimna Meyer**

Medford MS Site Coordinator

#### **Michelle Fuentes**

•Phoenix-Talent Site Coordinator

#### THE BANJO ABYSS

# SOU Pre-College Youth Programs

- SOU Pre-College Youth Programs 42 years of pre-college programming
  - Primarily serves Jackson, Josephine, Klamath counties
  - Summer day camps and overnight camps
  - Academic Competitions
  - One-day conferences & symposiums
  - Dual credit for high school students
- MISSION: SOU Pre-College Youth Programs brings together young people from diverse backgrounds to kindle curiosity, inspire college confidence, and ignite expectations for a bright future.



THE TALKATIVE TWELVE



## Konaway Nika Tillicum

• Native American Youth Academy; launched in 1994





*"I have become more motivated and invigorated for my school work. I also have an essay prepared for college applications."* 

## SOUTHERN OREGON DEMOGRAPHICS

High School	Enrollment	Latino %	Latino #
Ashland	906	12.1%	110
Phoenix	667	41.5%	277
North Medford	1760	28.6%	504
South Medford	1850	30.1%	556
Medford Central High	333	29.1%	97
Crater High School			
Health & Public Services	477	16.8%	80
Renaissance	465	23.4%	109
Business & Innovation	473	15.0%	71
Eagle Point	1031	34.8%	359
Rogue River	341	11.7%	40
Grants Pass	1705	16.7%	285
Klamath Union	615	26.5%	163
Mazama	701	23.5%	165
Henley	657	15.4%	101
Lost River	232	57.8%	134
			3051

Data: \*AY 2021-2022, Source: ODE

## SOUTHERN OREGON DEMOGRAPHICS

Middle School	Enrollment	Latino %	Latino #	
Ashland	459	13.1%	60	
Talent	476	42.2%	201	
Hedrick	1071	22.0%	236	
McLoughlin	931	37.5%	349	
Scenic	815	17.9%	146	
White Mountain	354	59.3%	210	
Eagle Point	424	13.7%	58	
South (Grants Pass)	610	14.3%	87	
North Grants Pass	653	13.5%	88	
			1435	
Southern Oregon University	Enrollment	Latino %	Latino #	
	3270	13.15%	430	
State of Oregon	K-12 Latino %	College Gradua	College Graduates Latino %	
	24.97%	169	%	

# **Academia Latina History**

- 2001 Planning Symposium
- 2002 Pilot Academia Latina program launched
- 2013 Academia Latina Leadership launched
- 2020-2021 Program was not offered due to pandemic

































•Name: Academia Latina/Academia Leadership

•Years in Existence: Academia Latina 20 years; Academia Leadership 9 years

•Description/goal:

•Academia Latina is a 7-day summer academic residential program for Latino youth in southern Oregon completing grades 7 through 9.

- Immerse Latino students in a university setting
- $\hfill\square$  Expose students to the learning and career possibilities of college
- Provide an integrated experience with classes, field trips, cultural experiences and recreational activities

•Academia Leadership is a 9-day summer residential program for Latino youth in southern Oregon completing grades 10 through 11.

 $\hfill\square$  Offer a broad range of courses, lectures, cultural experiences, and recreational activities focused on

leadership

- Development of an effective leader
- $\hfill\square$  Foster Latino youth leaders and create positive role models





### **Academia Tiered Leadership Development**















# CORE STRATEGIES

### • Starting Early

- Promote college readiness and post-secondary aspirations needs to begin before students arrive at college
- Strategic Cultural Programming
- Accelerated Learning

### **Bridging or Boundary Crossing**

- □ Navigation support: help students and families understand the steps necessary to transition from secondary to post-secondary institutions
- $\hfill\square$  Provide common guidance regarding admissions, financial aid, registration, transfer, accelerated

learning

(meaningful credit) and career pathways

### Holistic or Wrap Around Approach

Being college ready includes both academic and non-cognitive factors

Family and community focus, not just individual students

### Increasing Incentives And Reducing Barriers

Diversity scholarships

- I Jackson-Josephine Pledge
- Pathway to Teaching





# SUCCESS METRICS

#### • Academic

High school attendance and graduation ratesCollege participation and completion rates

### Non-cognitive

□ Post-secondary aspirations

Understanding the steps needed to successfully transition from secondary to post-secondary systems

Goal setting related to college and career planning

### Cultural shifts:

- □ For students and families: identification with colleges
- □ Institutional shifts: commitment to support seamless transition by constructing bridging

systems, experiences and

relationships







- Name: Cesar E. Chavez Leadership Conference
- Years in Existence: 10
- Description/goal:
- Our Mission is to instill in our Latin@ youth the value of education, which nurtures mind, body and spirit in order to develop a social consciousness that empowers them as leaders for social justice and civic responsibility in the greater community.
- □ Increase Latino high school students' preparation to become leaders and develop their knowledge about contemporary issues within the Latino community
- □ Strongly encourages Latino youth to pursue educational opportunities beyond high school
- □ Offer workshops focusing on leadership, cultural arts, life skills and college preparation

#### • 2019 Highlights:

- 260 Students Attended
- □ 13 regional high schools participated: (Jackson, Josephine and Klamath Counties)
- 23 Workshops Offered
- □ 67 students have also participated in Academia Latina
- 45 students from Pirates/Bulldogs to Raiders





### ¡Si se puede!



### WE ARE UNITED. WE WILL NEVER GIVE UP. WE WILL FIGHT FOR OUR RIGHTS. WE ARE LATINOS! WE ARE PROUD!

## **Call for Presenters!**

# SO César E. Chávez U LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

LEADERSHIP · COLLEGE & CAREER · CULTURE · LIKE SKILLS

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023**

A. Leadership (The Legacy of César E. Chávez, Community Leadership, etc.)
 B. College & Careers (Financial Aid, Scholarships, College Prep., Admissions, etc.)
 C. Culture, Identity and Arts (Poetry, Music, Art, Theater, etc.)
 D. Life Skills (Financial Planning, Job Skills, Work/School/Family Life Balance)

http://sou.edu/youth/cesar-chavez/presenters



- Name: Latino Family Day
- Years in Existence: 12
- Description/goal:
- A day-long educational conference designed for Latino families where participants will become acquainted with the SOU campus, resources available and learn about the possibilities of college.
- □ Sessions will be offered in Spanish for parents and bilingually for students.
- □ Families including prospective students in **8th-12th grade** will get the opportunity to participate in a variety of sessions focused on high school and college preparation and success.
- 2022 Highlights:

Over 180 participants

- I 17 regional middle and high schools represented
- 10 Workshops offered





	Session	Students 8th Grade	Parents (8th Grade)	Students (9th)	Parents (9th)	Students (10th)	Parents (10th)	Students (11th)	Parents (11th)
8:45 AM			Check In	Check In	Check In	Check in	Check In	Check In	Check In
9:00 AM									
9:20 AM		SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer	SU Foyer
9:25 AM		Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session	Opening Session
9:30 AM		Welcome	Welcome	Welcome	Welcome	Welcome	Welcome	Welcome	Welcome
9:35 AM		Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room
9:40 AM		Soñando Juntos: No Lideramos Solos		Soñando Juntos: No Lideramos Solos		Soñando Juntos: No Lideramos Solos		Soñando Juntos: No Lideramos Solos	
9:50 AM		Coalición Fortaleza		Coalición Fortaleza		Coalición Fortaleza		Coalición Fortaleza	
10:15 AM		Rogue River Room		Rague River Room		Rogue River Room		Rogue River Room	
10:30 AM		Thriving with Balance	Resource Fair	Thriving with Balance	Resource Fair	Interview Skills	Resource Fair	Interview Skills	Resource Fair
11:00 AM		Sylvia Poareo	SU Arena	Sylvia Poareo	SU Arena	Jonathan Chavez Baez	SU Arena	Jonathan Chavez Baez	SU Arena
11:15 AM		SU 323 Gallery		SU 323 Gallery		SU 313		SU 313	
11:30 AM		Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch	Campus Tour/Lunch
12:00 PM		Hawk	Hawk	Hawk	Hawk	Hawk	Hawk	Hawk	Hawk
12:30 PM									
12:45 PM		Resource Fair	Apoyando a Nuestros Hijos	Resource Fair	Apoyando a Nuestros Hijos	Resource Fair	Acceso a Salud y Bienestar	Resource Fair	Acceso a Salud y Bienestar
1:00 PM	10 TEC 1	SU Arena	Sylvia Poareo	SU Arena	Sylvia Poareo	SU Arena	Nancy Mckinnis	SU Arena	Nancy Mckinnis
1:30 PM			SU 323		SU 323		SU 319		SU 319
1:45 PM		Como Prepararse para la High School Erika Ochoa		Surviving High School	Trabajando Juntos	Estrategias de Comunicación Familiar José García		Explorando tus Opciones Katie Mena	
2:00 PM	N 1936			Frida Cruz	Dimna Meyer				
2:30 PM		Rogue River Room		SU Diversions	SU 319	SU 313		SU 323 Gallery	
2:45 PM		Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony	Closing Ceremony
3:00 PM		Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room	Rogue River Room
3:15 PM									

# **SOU PATHWAY PROGRAMS**

### **PIRATES TO RAIDERS**

MEDFORD TO S RAIDERS BULLDOGS HORNETS PANTHERS TORNADOS

- Name: Pirates to Raiders & Bulldogs to Raiders
- Years in Existence: P2R 11 yrs.; B2R 7 yrs.; H2R 5 yrs. (M2R 7 years)
- Description:
- The Pirates/Medford to Raiders Program is a partnership between SOU and the Medford and Phoenix-Talent school districts that support Latino students as they gain the skills to access a college education.
- This partnership leverages a wide range of resources to prepare 8th grade students for high school success and college readiness by providing a continuing support structure of social and family assistance, academic support, mentorship and strategic programming through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### Goals/Outcomes:

- Increase High School Graduation
- Increase College Enrollment/Completion
- $\hfill\square$  All PTSD/MSD students who successfully complete the Pirates/Bulldogs to
  - Raiders program will be offered admission to SOU
- $\hfill\square$  Receive priority consideration to the Diversity Scholarship
- Have an opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree
- Pathway to Teaching



# **SOU PATHWAY PROGRAMS**

### **PIRATES** TO RAIDERS

MEDFORD TO S RAIDERS BULLDOGS HORNETS PANTHERS TORNADOS

### **Services Provided**

- After-school academic tutoring/mentoring
- □ Engaging Lessons
- Parent Meetings and support
- □ Conferences/Summer Programs
- I Fieldtrips
- □ SAT Prep
- Educational Workshops
- □ Scholarship/Financial Aid Support
- Graduation Dinner
- **Dual Credit tuition NEW!**
- DForeign Language Proficiency Credit Buy-Back NEW
- **College Application Fees NEW!**
- **College Move-in Expenses NEW!**



# CHALLENGES

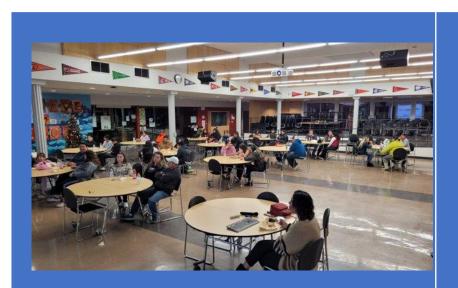
### Challenges

- □ Staffing
- Pathways Timeline
- □ Transportation
- □ Recruiting Tutors
- □ Red tape to pay instructors & presenter stipends
- Building Buy-in & Refining a New Model
- □ Smoke Season
- □ Covid-19 academic and social/emotional disruptions
- □ Almeda and Obenchain Fires





# SOLUTIONS



#### Solutions

- □ Hire SOU Site Coordinators for Pathway Programs
- Patience; Planning; Flexibility
- □ Communicating with families about transportation
- Ongoing process of developing new model; evaluating institutional commitments, need to recommit to partnership
- Move Academia program dates; adjust programming to build indoor options
- Prioritizing emotional well-being
- □ Adjust academic criteria for program participation

# SOU Pre-College Youth Programs PARTNERSHIPS

- Oregon Community Foundation
  ODE Latino/a/x Student Plan
  ODE Multilingual & Migrant Education
  OCF: Latino Partnership Program
  Southern Oregon ESD Migrant Education
  Gordon Elwood Foundation
  Carpenter Foundation
  Oregon Shakespeare Festival
  Naumes Foundation
  - Medford School District
  - Phoenix-Talent School District
  - Eagle Point School District
  - Jackson Care Connect
  - Latino/a/x Interagency Committee
  - □ Lane County ESD Migrant Education
  - Project Youth+
  - SOU English Department
  - SOU Latino Student Union
  - Northwest Seasonal Workers Association
  - La Clinica





# QUESTIONS?



## Adjourn! Next meeting March 21, 2023!

Oregon Department of Education