



## Latinx Advisory Group Monthly Meeting

February 17th, 2026

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
2:00 pm	<b>Welcome</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
2:05 pm	<b>Agenda Review</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
2:10 pm	<b>Community Connections</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
2:30 pm	<b>Opening of Public Meeting</b>	
2:30 pm	<b>Agenda Review</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
2:35 pm	<p><b>Vice-Chair updates/election</b>            Roles and Associated Duties of Chair and Vice-Chair            Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate with the Latinx SSP Coordinator/Grant Manager to prepare for and facilitate proceedings of Latinx Advisory Group meetings</li> <li>• Coordinate and collaborate with Latinx Advisory Group and associated workgroup members</li> <li>• Facilitate recommendations provided by the Latinx Advisory Group</li> </ul> <p>Vice-Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with and provide support for the Chair in their associated duties</li> <li>• Take on the duties of the Chair in their absence</li> </ul>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
2:45 pm	<b>Pausa de cinco (5) minutos</b>	
2:50 pm	<p><b>Updating the Latinx Student Success Plan</b>            Where we have been</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Latinx Student Success Plan: 2021</li> <li>• Updating our Latinx SSP Charter annually</li> </ul>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator

- Legislative Report updates per biennium

#### Where we are

- 144,114 Latinx students in 2024-2025
- Strong, united, and collaborative Latinx SSP Advisory Group
- Currently in the second grant cycle with 17 grantees throughout Oregon (2024-2028)

#### Where we are going

- Updating the Latinx Student Success Plan:
- Target Date August 2027
  - Reviewing data needs of Latinx student data to inform needs and next steps
  - Informs the Oregon Department of Education on needs/supports for our Latinx students
  - The Latinx SSP centers and drives the work of our Latinx grantees.
  - As we look to update the Latinx SSP, the purpose of each Reunion/Town Hall is to hear from students, parents, and community the... strengths, needs, and dreams in terms of education

#### Overview of the 2021 Latinx SSP

#### Overview of Key Input for Updates to Latinx SSP Goals and Strategies

- What are the strengths of the Latinx community in terms of education?
- What are the needs of the Latinx community in terms of education?
- What are the education priorities for the Latinx community?
- Dreams/aspirations/hopes: What would be helpful for Latinx students' educational journey?
- How can updates made to the Latinx SSP translate to actual actions?

	<p>Reviewing Goals Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief overview of activity as we review the four goals in the 2021 Latinx Student Success Plan</li> <li>• AG Splits into groups and each group takes one goal to review/share: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Goal 1: Student Success (p. 12-14)</li> <li>○ Goal 1: Student Success (p. 15-17)</li> <li>○ Goal 2: Early Learning Readiness</li> <li>○ Goal 3: Family and Community Leadership</li> <li>○ Goal 4: Strengthening Pathways to Higher Education</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Next Steps – Regions for Reunions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thinking about our Latinx student population and geographic representation, what regions should we hold the first round of Latinx SSP Reuniones/Town Halls?</li> <li>• Thinking about our Latinx student population and geographic representation, is there a particular school district in each region that may be best to hold the first round of Latinx SSP Reuniones/Town Halls?</li> </ul>	
3:25 pm	<b>Reviewing Latinx Student Enrollment Data: Selection for first round of Reuniones</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
3:55 pm	<b>Updates</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
3:56 pm	<b>Closing</b>	Susy Mekarski, Program Coordinator
4:00 pm	<b>Meeting Adjourned. Next Meeting March 17, 2026</b>	
<p><b>Members Present:</b> Member Alejandrez, Member Delgado, Member Arce, Member Bazan-Espain, Member Boman-Mejia, Member Calderon, Member Galvan-Rodriguez, Member Juarez, Member Magana, Member Monroy-Mota, Member Nava-Costales, Member Nunez, Member Ortiz-Chavolla, Member Tovar</p>		

**Members Absent:** Member Avila, Member Baldisseri, Member Balladares, Member Carmina Gomez, Member Cruz Ochoa, Member Espinoza, Member Garcia-Contreras, Member Guzmán Ortiz, Member Quinn, Member Ramirez Gonzalez, Member Ramos, Member Rivera, Member Rivera-Lindstrom, Member Smith

**ODE Staff Present:** Susy Mekarski, Jenni Amado