## **Workforce and Talent Development Board**

#### Essential Employability Skills December Survey Results



#### **EES Survey Overview**

Deployed November 30 – December 8, 2021

Funded by HECC OWI

Number of respondents 524



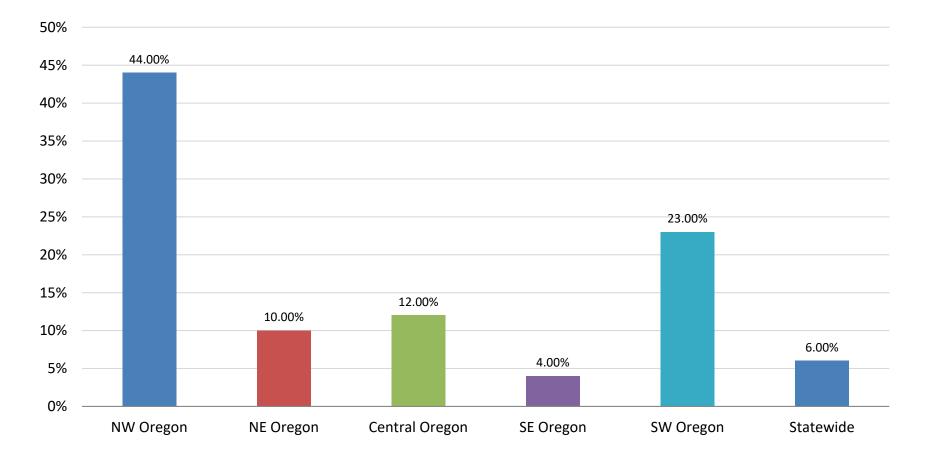
Survey reviewed by HECC and Key Partner, ODE



Survey administered by Dialogues In Action --Steve Patty, Ph.D.

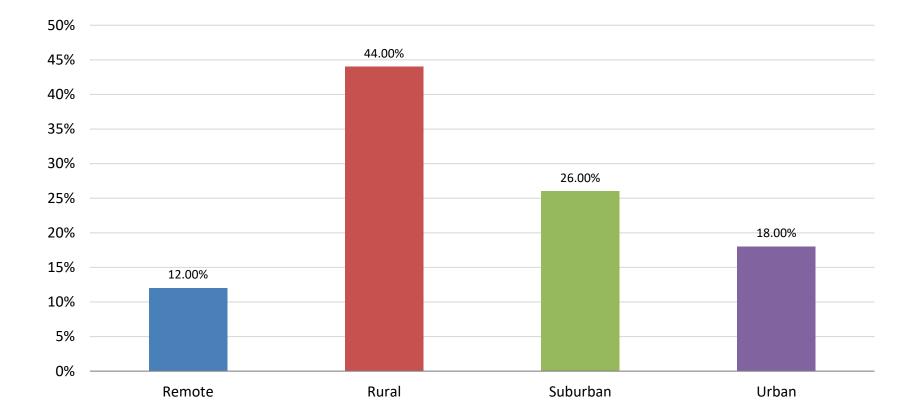


### **Regional Location of Survey Takers**





#### **Respondents by Community Types**





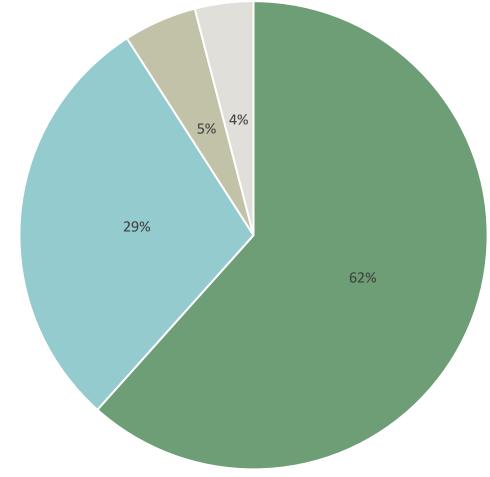
#### **Survey Respondents by Sector/Category**

Business/Industry

Education and Training

Human Services

Government and Public
 Administration



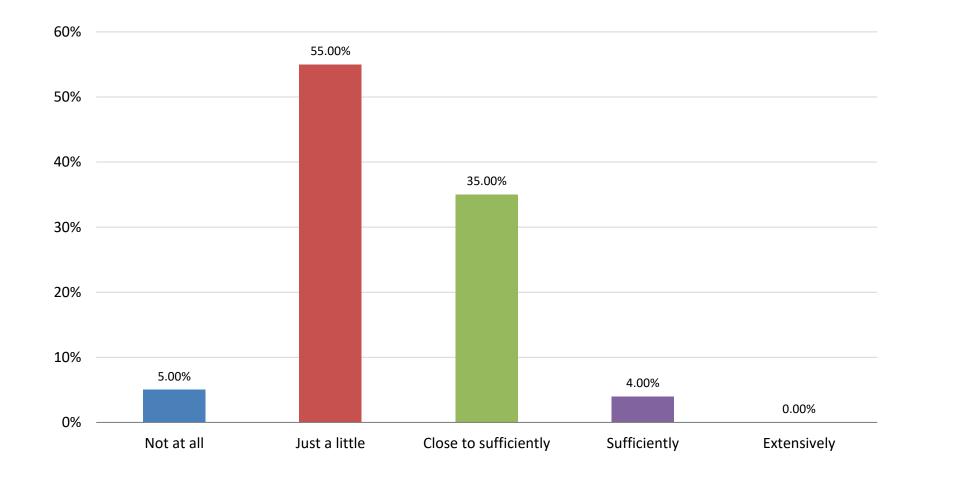


# Essential Employability Skills Rated By Highest Priority on 5-Point Scale

1. Work Ethic (4.64) 2. Communication Skills (4.48) 3. Adaptability and Flexibility (4.38) 4. Professionalism (4.33) 5. Time Management (4.25) 6. Critical Thinking (4.17) 7. Collaboration (4.17) 8. Resiliency (4.09) 9. Analysis Solution Mindset (3.93) 10. Cultural Awareness and Humility (3.7)



# Respondent's Perception on level of EES preparedness among current high school graduates when entering the workplace





Perceptions of survey respondents on the values and skills needed to be prioritized in the Oregon Diploma?

Responses focused on themes of:

- Communication
- Ethics
- Problem-solving
- Collaboration
- Core skills of Math
- Reading
- Writing



#### What We Learned?

- We are on the right track!
- EES Priorities/Gaps overlap with OES Model
- Demand for Essential Employability Skills is very real
- Alignment of our Systems is Transformational
- The creation of the Oregon Employability Skills Taskforce carries significant promise

