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Newsletter

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Governor Brown Creates the Governor's Council on Educator Advancement

The council will work to foster teaching excellence

Public input is invited on May 23, from 5:00 to 7:00, at Franklin High School @ **Marshall Campus Library, 3905 SE 91st Ave., Portland, 97266**. This is from the press release:

(Salem, OR) — As part of her 2016 policy agenda, Governor Kate Brown today released the Executive Order creating the Governor's Council on Educator Advancement charged with developing models to deliver relevant, high-quality, and culturally competent professional development for Oregon's educators.

"We must cultivate and support one of our most valuable education assets – educators – by making sure they each have access to the professional development resources that foster teaching excellence," Governor Brown said. "This is an investment that will pay important dividends for Oregon students now and in the future."

The Council will develop recommendations to Governor Brown on or before Sept. 1, 2016 by leveraging the expertise of exemplary teachers and school leaders and streamlining resources, assistance, and support from federal, state, and nonprofit partners.

Reporting Personal Harm or Injury

Whether a safety issue or physical harm from a student, please remember that the online reporting is how we ensure that the Risk Management Department is aware of the conditions under which we are working. It is also how we can best protect your contractual and legal safety rights.

Collective Bargaining Agreement Allows for Input into Student Conduct Plan

All members are to be invited to offer input into the building's discipline plan, and the opportunity should happen by June 1 for the 2016-17 school year. The building plans should be in place by September 15. These dates are new to our contract, as is a specific timeframe (48 hours) within which there should be an administrative response to written behavioral referrals (referral is to be written, response must be timely but need not be written).

Be a Book Hero for Kids at the Farmers' Market

On May 21, HEA will offer used books for children at the "Proud to Be HSD" event. We will continue to offer the books on Saturdays beginning June 18 and through August 20 (except July 2). Come promote reading and public education, with breaks to enjoy the Farmers' Market. To sign up please send an email to HillsboroEA@oregoned.org.

Retiring (or Retired) this Year?

HEA wants to celebrate you! Join us at the HEA Retirement Banquet on Friday, June 3. Contact Maureen at HillsboroEA@oregoned.org for details. (Or call 503.645.6776, ext. 2507)



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Opportunities for Involvement in Your Association

The Washington County OEA UniServ, representing HEA, Forest Grove, Gaston and Banks members, will be electing officers to serve as President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Contact Maureen Barnhart (HillsboroEA@oregoned.org) for more information. Building Reps and alternate reps have not yet been elected in some of our buildings. Please contact your current rep if you are interested in that position.

Do You Anticipate Serving on an ODE or Legislative Task Force?

If so, you may want to have your resumé up to date. In the past OEA has suggested members for these task forces, and putting forth a name was sufficient. However ODE is now requesting a resumé and statement of interest for participation on the ESSA workgroups and task force teams, such as the Class Size Task Force that Representative Susan McLain initiated.

Reimagine Education in Oregon

ODE recently asked the public to re-imagine the ideal education for Oregonians. This is our opportunity as teachers, and in some cases parents, to express what we know to be best for students.

The Oregon Department of Education says they want to hear from YOU about how to "Reimagine Education in Oregon". They are holding a series of meetings around the state AND taking input via email.

The three focus questions at the state meetings for which they are seeking input are:

1. What school characteristics are most important?
2. How should we measure school success?
3. How do we ensure all students are successful?

Please send your input to ESSA.Oregon@state.or.us

Gym membership

If you receive health benefits through the HSD (and don't opt-out), OEGB's new Fitness Rewards program will reimburse eligible members up to \$15 per month for exercising at a qualified facility.

<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/OEBB/Pages/Wellness-Resources.aspx>

Summer Birthday? Don't Wait to Renew Your TSPC License!

Oregon TSPC is overwhelmed, and you don't want the stress of last minute renewal or approval of changes to your license. If your license is due this year, please do not wait to renew it! You might find yourself on unpaid leave if it lapses.

California Casualty School Supplies--\$2,500

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