

Only 60% of local students graduate from high school on time.

Ninth Grade Counts is a community-wide effort to increase graduation rates. Since 2009, Ninth Grade Counts has brought together non-profit organizations, schools, and other partners to connect more youth with the supports that they need to stay on track to graduate, and it's working.

Students who participate in Ninth Grade Counts are more likely to stay on track to graduate. They earn more credits in high school and show improved school attendance.

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For more information about Ninth Grade Counts, please visit www.allhandsraised.org

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TRANSITION PROGRAMS FOR INCOMING NINTH GRADERS IN PORTLAND & MULTNOMAH COUNTY

2012 GUIDE TO SUMMER

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Use this grid to determine which programs are right for you. Find more info inside!

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OPEN MEADOW

Step Up Sierra Hill (503) 488-5195 Sierra@openmeadow.org

Open Meadow Step Up is a unique program that gives you the opportunity to participate in an intensive leadership and high school preparation experience. The program includes an overnight leadership camp where you will make new friends and get to know adults who will help you succeed in and out of school throughout your ninth grade year. Programming continues through the school year including mentoring, tutoring, leadership development, and a family partnership program.

Muitiple dates, June 24 - Aug 24 Five-day overnight camps

PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT Jumpstart

Jared Freeman (503) 408-2600 jared_freeman@parkrose.k12.or.us

The Parkrose Jumpstart program is designed specifically to help you prepare for high school math and English requirements if you are an English language learner. Working on your English language skills and good study habits will help you get a head start on high school.

July 1 - Aug 30 Parkrose High School 12003 NE Shaver St, Portland

POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE NINTH GRADE COUNTS

Jay Williams (503) 256-3479 jaywill9@msn.com

The PAL Ninth Grade Counts program is an opportunity for you to explore a variety of different activities including a summer sports program, performance and visual arts, chess club, archery, field trips, and much more. Get ready for high school by learning study skills, time management, conflict resolution skills, and ways to stay organized. You will also have the opportunity to earn an Academic Empowerment backpack filled with supplies and resources.

June 18 - Sept 18 PAL Portland Youth Center 424 NE 172nd Ave, Portland

PORTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION

Jr. GRUNT (Greenspaces Restoration and Urban Naturalist Team) Kelly Rosteck (503) 823-6378 kelly.rosteck@portlandoregon.gov

Get a hands-on learning experience in an outdoor setting through the Jr. GRUNT program, which has a strong focus on developing academic skills. If you enjoy nature, wildlife, and adventure in the great outdoors this is the right program for you. Jr. GRUNT is the beginning of a long-term mentorship that will last throughout high school and into college (and can also lead to pald internships in the future).

Ninth Grade

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July 9 - Aug 3 Parks and natural areas throughout Portland



Planning to attend Benson, Franklin, Madison or Roosevelt high school? Then PPS Leap into Ninth Grade is right for you. Build your reading, writing, and math skills while getting to know your new high school. The program will help you develop skills, like time management and note taking. You will also attend fun field trips to learn more about local career and college options. (Jefferson students please refer to the Self Enhancement, Inc. program)

Multiple dates, July 2 - July 26 Benson, Franklin, Madison, and Roosevelt High Schools

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Summer Academy to Inspire Learning

Rossitza Wooster (503) 725-3944 wooster@pdx.edu

Get a hands-on early introduction to college life in this program led by professors from Portland State University and the University of Oregon. Learn all about economics with topics including the environment and energy, international trade and development, and labor economics. Learn strategies to succeed in high school and ways to get into college, including how to pay for it.

July 9 - July 13 Portland State University 1825 SW Broadway, Portland

REAP, INC. Challenge Nate Golden (503) 341-6161 nateg@reapusa.org

The REAP Challenge program is an opportunity to build your leadership skills so that you can be a leader in your school and in your community. You will learn ways to build strong relationships with peers, teachers, and principals. In meetings with local business leaders you will better understand how education is related to the business world and through field trips you will learn more about college and career options.

Aug 27 - Aug 31 Portland State University 1825 SW Broadway, Portland

REYNOLDS SCHOOL DISTRICT Ninth Grade Counts

John Dixon (503) 667-3186 ext 1008 john_dixon@reynolds.k12.or.us

Get ready for high school by building your reading, writing, science, and math skills and have fun through activities like sports, music, and art. You will also learn what to expect in high school and who to go to for help. In addition, take field trips where you'll learn more about career and college options.

July 16 - Aug 17 Reynolds High School 1698 SW Cherry Park Rd, Troutdale

SELF ENHANCEMENT, INC.

High School Summer Enrichment Program Troy Hollis (503) 249-1721 troyh@selfenhancement.org

Through the SEI Summer Enrichment program you will build academic skills through math and language arts classes taught by teachers. You will learn effective study habits and organizational skills that will help keep you on track during ninth grade. You will also get to know your high school classmates, teachers, program coordinator, and school counselors. The program also includes field trips to learn more about career and college options.

June 15 - July 29 Jefferson High School 5210 N Kerby Ave, Portland

LUNACY STAGEWORKS LUNATIC FRINGE Stage Your Story Ann Singer (971) 344-0155 singer_ann@hotmail.com

If you love movies, television, and the stage then this program is for you. Through Stage Your Story you will learn all about acting, playwriting, directing, movement, and voice for the theatre. You will also develop your reading, writing, and public speaking skills as you learn to tell your personal story. Be part of an actual theatrical production and explore your college and career options as you go on field trips around the area.

July 9 - Aug 3 Location to be determined

NAYA NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER Ninth Grade Counts

Ashley Thirstrup (503) 288-8177 ext 236 ashleyt@nayapdx.org

Improve your communication, leadership, and academic skills while learning what to expect in high school. You will experience a variety of field trips where you will learn more about career and college options. You will also have an opportunity to explore Native American cultural heritage.

July 9 - Aug 10 NAYA Family Center 5135 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland

NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

Wilson High School Summer Academy Frances Hall (503) 246-1663 ext 8213 fhall1@nhweb.org

Get ready for high school through the Neighborhood House Summer Academy where the staff will focus on getting you prepared for high school English, algebra, and science. You will also learn helpful skills for high school like how to take notes, the meaning of credits, requirements for graduation, time management, and conflict resolution skills. Plus, you will go on fun field trips to explore local college and career options.

July 9 - Aug 10 Wilson High School 1151 SW Vermont St, Portland

ELEVATE OREGON Elevate Oregon at Parkrose High School

Hanisi Accetta (503) 200-4435 hanisi@elevateoregon.org

Get ready for your freshman year at Parkrose High School through. a program that will build your academic skills and help you develop study habits that are going to help you do well in high school. Have fun on field trips to career sites and colleges, along with a host of other activities to get you and your classmates ready for an amazing freshman year.

June 25 - Aug 24 Parkrose High School 12003 Northeast Shaver St, Portland

GRESHAM-BARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT High School SUN Summer LEAP

Ayesha Freeman (503) 674-5533 freeman4@gresham.k12.or.us

At the SUN Summer LEAP at Gresham High School you will spend time with teachers who will help you improve your math and literacy skills. When you are not in the classroom, you will be having fun out and about on field trips where you will learn more about career and college options. You will also take part in afternoon enrichment activities.

July 16 - Aug 9 **Gresham High School** 1200 North Main Ave, Gresham

IRCO IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

Ninth Grade is Key Gwen White (503) 916-5338 gwhite2@pps.net

The IRCO Ninth Grade is Key summer program is designed specifically for English Language learners. This program will help improve your English and math skills so that you are ready for success in high school. You will learn more about what to expect in ninth grade and build friendships while having fun participating in activities like dance, soccer, art, basketball, and film. You will also head out on field trips to learn more about careers and colleges. Breakfast and lunch are provided. Languages offered: Amharic,

Burmese, Chinese (Mandarin), French, Kiswahili, Oromo, Somali, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

July 9 - Aug 10 Madison High School 2735 NE 82nd Ave, Portland

STRAIGHTWAY SERVICES Ninth Grade Counts

Dwight Minnieweather (503) 516-9148 straightwayservices@live.com

Gain hands-on experience with technology and the environment through the Straightway Services Ninth Grade Counts program. Through a partnership with the City of Portland Water Bureau you will learn about sustainability and water management and shadow a Water Bureau employee at their job. In addition, you will learn how to write an effective resume, and you will go on field trips to learn more about career and college options, and have fun participating in service projects in the community.

June 27 - Aug 27 McCoy Academy 3802 NE MLK Blvd, Portland

UNIVERSITY OF PORTLAND Extended Summer Learning Program John Watzke (503) 943-7135 watzke@up.edu

The University of Portland Extended Summer Learning Program gives you the opportunity to take classes in subjects ranging from oceanography to architecture to videography. You will have the opportunity to develop your artistic side as your class teams up with an artist to create a mural in Portland's Pier Park. You will also complete a service learning project on graffiti in the community.

July 2 - Aug 2 University of Portland 5000 North Willamette Blvd, Portland



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Education, Equity and Excellence _ from Cradle to Career

SUCCESS FROM CRADLE TO CAREER

All Hands Raised is managing a county-wide effort to support children and youth from cradle to career. Collaborative Work Teams, including Ninth Grade Counts, are currently focused on: ensuring every child enters school prepared to learn; linking community and family supports to student success; and eliminating racial disparities.

TO LEARN MORE VISIT www.allhandsraised.org

CAMP FIRE COLUMBIA Xploregon

Mae Wilson (971) 340-1599 mwilson@campfirecolumbia.org

Xploregon provides the opportunity for you to explore Oregon on a road trip. Through activities like whitewater rafting and a high ropes course, step out of your comfort zone to become a stronger leader. You will also engage in volunteer projects with Habitat for Humanity and other organizations. You will partner with older students and supportive adults who will help make your adventure a great experience.

Multiple dates, July 1 - Aug 30 Sites throughout Oregon

CATHOLIC CHARITIES EL PROGRAMA HISPANO Puentes

Evelyn Salazar (503) 489-6833 esalazar@catholiccharitiesoregon.org

Through Puentes, you will build reading, writing, and math skills in both English and Spanish. The program will help you become more comfortable with what to expect in high school, make new friends, and have fun with enrichment and activities.

June 20 - July 20 David Douglas High School 1001 SE 135th Ave, Portland

Jul 16 - Aug 10 Gresham High School 1200 North Main Ave, Gresham

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT *Ninth Grade Counts*

Zachary Ramberg (503) 762-6134 Zachary_Ramberg@centennial.k12.or.us

Get ready to hit the hallways of Centennial High School with confidence. Prepare to pass Algebra and English, and get to know the teachers and staff at your new school:

June 18 - July 12 Centennial High School 3505 SE 182nd Ave, Gresham

DAVID DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT Ninth Grade Counts

Amy McQueen (503) 262-4442 amy_mcqueen@ddouglas.k12.or.us

Get ready for ninth grade during a summer high school experience focused on math and English. Understand the differences between middle school and high school, and learn study and organizational skills that will help you stay on track in ninth grade. Learn what it takes to graduate and explore different options for college and careers. Enjoy fun field trips to local businesses. destination points, and colleges all while getting to know the David Douglas High School staff and your new high school classmates.

June 20 - July 20 David Douglas High School 1001 SE 135th, Portland

Number of partner organizations engaged in Ninth Grade Counts.

Number of AmeriCorps/VISTA members deployed to strengthen Ninth Grade Counts through a partnership with Oregon Campus Compact.

Number of Ninth Grade Counts career and college site visits made by students in 2011 through support from the Office of the Portland Mayor and Worksystems, Inc.

500 Number of students served through Ninth Grade Counts since 2009.

Value of in-kind resources distributed to partner programs in summer 2010 and 2011, including TriMet passes, AmeriCorps/VISTA members, Marylhurst MAT students, and career and college site visits.

Number of additional Collaborative Work Teams launched in 2012, building on the success of Ninth Grade Counts, in order to improve student outcomes from cradle to career.

Number of cities nationwide, joining Portland/ Multhomah County as endorsed Cradle to Career communities, creating a national model for collective impact.

> NINTH GRADE COUNTS BY NUMBERS

OUR PARTNERS

+ Camp Fire Columbia
+ Catholic Charities El Programa Hispano
+ Centennial School District
+ Concordia University

+ David Douglas School District + Elevate Oregon

+ Gresham-Barlow-School District + Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization

Impact Northwest
Lunatic Fringe Theater Group
Marylhurst University
Metropolitan Family Service
NAYA Native American Youth & Family Center
Neighborhood House
Office of the Multhomah County Chair

+ Office of the Portland Mayor.

AND SPONSORS

Open Meadow Alternative Schools
Oregon Campus Compact
Parkrose School District
Police Activities League
Portland Parks and Recreation
Portland Public Schools
Portland State University
REAP, Inc.
Reynolds School District

+ Self Enhancement, Inc. + Straightway Services + SUN Service System

+ TriMet + University of Portland

+ U.S. Bank → Worksystems, Inc.

SET OUT ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS!

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USE THIS GRID TO THE LEFT AND THE MAP TO THE RIGHT AS A QUICK GUIDE TO FIND THE PROGRAM THAT'S PERFECT FOR YOU!

HOW TO USE This guide

 Field trips are possible through support from

the Office of the Portland Mayor and Worksystems, Inc. as part of Summer Youth Connect.

The grid to the left will help you quickly find programs that meet your needs. More information on each program is provided in the guide, including how to sign up. Space is limited, so don't wait to connect. The person listed for each program will give you all the information you need.

GET A JUMP START ON HIGH SCHOOL WITH NINTH GRADE COUNTS!



- ✓ MANY PROGRAMS OFFER HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT.
- ✓ MOST PROGRAMS PROVIDE FREE TRIMET PASSES.
- ✓ NEARLY ALL OF THE PROGRAMS HAVE WEEKLY FIELD TRIPS TO COLLEGES AND CAREER SITES.★
- ✓ ALL OF THE PROGRAMS ARE FREE, OR OFFER SCHOLARSHIPS.



RAISING OUR HANDS, RAISING THE BAR: ALIGNED ACTION FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

All Hands Raised Partnership: Education, Equity and Excellence from Cradle to Career.

Learning doesn't begin and end in the classroom. Transforming children into educated, independent adults is the job of the entire community. All Hands Raised brings together local business, government, non-profit organizations, the faith community, parents, students and community stakeholders to ensure an excellent and equitable education for every child in Portland and Multnomah County from cradle to career.

We recognize the importance of taking the long view. We are driving systemic change to address root causes. Our schools cannot do it alone, nor can our families, nonprofits, or public services—we must do this together.

"All Hands Raised has provided us with a model for how communities can wrap around our schools, not simply for the sake of 'helping out', but to advance very specific actions to improve a defined set of measures. At the end of the day, we won't be able to reach our ambitious education goals for the state without this exact type of focused alignment and partnership in our local communities."

Ben Cannon, Education Policy Advisor to Governor John Kitzhaber





"Our twelve indicators represent this community's commitment to equity and excellence for all our kids they make our aspirations visible and measurable. We've set specific targets for raising the bar on each indicator. In addition, we're determined to accelerate improvement with the kids we have historically failed this is our greatest opportunity. There's no silver bullet here; we're in it for the long haul."

Sarah Mensah, Executive Vice President, COO, Portland Trail Blazers

Collaborative Action

Guided by a disciplined continuous improvement process, these initial work teams (called Collaboratives) are co-convened by partner organizations that share in the work of moving from ideas to action. Each group has finalized a Charter to define the problem being addressed, scope of work, and mission. Collaboratives are currently developing Action Plans, built around a clear and measurable three-year goal.









MEASURING OUR SHARED PROGRESS: NINTH GRADE COUNTS RESULTS



higher rate than their peers.

* "On-track" is defined as earning 6 credits in 9th grade.

Communities Supporting Youth

Communities Supporting Youth, co-convened with SUN Service System Coordinating Council and Portland State University's Center for Improvement of Child and Family Services, is working to advance the priority of linking and aligning community and family supports to improve engagement and success among Multnomah County students, with a specific goal of increasing the percentage of local students who are not chronically absent from school.

Eliminating Disparities in Child and Youth Success

Eliminating Disparities in Child and Youth Success, co-convened with the Coalition of Communities of Color, is focused on addressing institutional racism and inequities impacting students of color, immigrants, and refugees, with a specific focus on creating the necessary conditions in all partner organizations to ensure equitable outcomes for all children and youth.

Ready for Kindergarten

Ready for Kindergarten, co-convened with Social Venture Partners and the Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families & Community, works to ensure that families, schools and communities are effectively working together to provide children the foundation for learning and life success, with an emphasis on increasing kindergarten readiness among children of color, those living in poverty, and those whose primary language is not English.

Ninth Grade Counts

Ninth Grade Counts, convened by All Hands Raised, is focused on supporting targeted students through the transition into high school, with a specific focus on increasing the percentage of Multnomah County students who enter 10th grade "on-track to graduate" based on credits earned.

"The All Hands Raised Partnership is truly hitting on all cylinders in ways that few other cities have managed to do. The explicit focus on race and equity, as well as the rigor around continuous improvement, has made Portland and Multnomah County a beacon site for providing concrete early wins for us to share among the 72 communities in the national cradle to career network."

Jeff Edmondson, Director, Strive Partnership



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