

EDUCATOR ADVANCEMENT COUNCIL

Moving Oregon Education Forward







"The way we see the problem is the problem." Stephen Covey





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Whereas high quality educator preparation and ongoing, effective professional learning and supports for educators are critical variables to excellent teaching, improved student learning and educator retention

Senate Bill 182, 2017



EQUITY INNOVATION

Creating the conditions for high quality adult and student learning to ensure everyone in our school systems can grow and thrive.



ABOUT US

Launched in 2018, the Educator Advancement Council (EAC) is an innovative state partnership that coordinates a systemic approach to continuously assessing needs as well as coordinating priorities for services and resources to support Oregon educators.

The EAC works to ensure students experience high quality learning, in particular students of color, students with disabilities, emerging bilingual students, and students navigating poverty, houselessness, and foster care.





WHY WE'RE DIFFERENT...

The EAC occupies a unique space as a decision-making body that directs the use of state resources for educator workforce development. The EAC represents educators across the state, as well as representatives from across the P-20 education system. Each box represents a seat or organization on our collective council.



Innovative Partnership

Cascading up and down: multiple perspectives engaged in decision-making through Regional Educator Network Coordinating Bodies



Systems Redesign:

Leading with an octopus approach

- Flexible School Systems: Adapting the use of resources such as personnel, space, and time to best support innovations that reduce burnout and improve structural conditions
- **Culture and Climate:** Building an inclusive culture where all personnel feel seen, valued, and respected through policies, approaches, and/or actions
- Staff Preparation and Growth Opportunities: Ensuring personnel are prepared to meet the demands of their jobs and supported to advance in their careers
- **Differentiated Training and Staff Support:** Ensuring equitable access to resources for differentiated training and professional development at various career stages and tailored to specific roles in the system

"A system is never the sum of its parts, it's the product of its interactions."

> Russell Ackoff (2003)



Research & Evidence Based Practices



Data Justice

GET RESUL

The EAC seeks to...

Use mixed methods research & evidence-based practices when applying principles of improvement science to build statewide capacity for transformational change.



To identify critical foundational knowledge and skills needed to successfully enact a systemic approach to continuously assess the needs of P-20 educators through the infrastructure of the Regional **Educator Networks and Grow** Your Own Programs







Programs, Resources & Services

A Different Way of Thinking...





Regional Educator Networks



REGIONAL POLICY GOALS

- Enhance a **culture of collaborative leadership** that elevates and advances the profession
- Provide open access to high-quality professional learning and support that reflects educator voices, local contexts, and career stages
- Strengthen and enhance existing evidence-based practices that improve student achievement and that reflect changing student needs and demographics
- Improve the recruitment, preparation, induction, and support of educators at each career stage, as well as leadership and career advancement opportunities





Grow Your Own Educator Partnerships Grow Your Own programs are local or regional partnerships designed with the whole school system in mind to address conditions affecting the recruitment and retention of educators across the career continuum.

Pre-Collegiate Programs

Pathways designed for high school students that **link career exploration** with college credit and articulated pathways to licensure and employment

School-Community Programs

A grassroots pathway designed by a school district or ESD to support current employees to advance in their careers and community members to become licensed educators University-District Programs

A pathway co-designed between a school district/ESD and an educator preparation provider with students prepared to teach in specific communities.



Equity Centered Educator Resources and Preparation





Comprehensive Statewide Professional Learning System





Strategic Policy Priorities

- Continuously Improving Systemic Conditions (programs, services, and resources) to meet the changing demands of the educator workforce by local context and varying educator needs
- Developing a Statewide Professional Learning System that builds organizational capacity (knowledge, skills, and dispositions) at all levels of the system to better meet student needs to eliminate disparity, disproportionality, and predictability in outcomes
- **Career Preparation and Advancement** opportunities that are accessible to all educators across multiple contexts and at varying stages of an educator's career
- **Creating Strategic Partnerships** (State Agency Leadership Collaboration, Grow Your Own Partnerships, Regional Collaboration, Local Communities of Practice, etc.)



LET'S CHANGE THE FUTURE OF OREGON EDUCATION!

Through innovation, collaboration & partnership



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