



Partnership for Student Success Volunteer Opportunities

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Partnership for Student Success, E3's innovative community engagement program, brings together business, school and community leaders to address the key academic challenges facing students. Since 2003, *Partnership for Student Success* has helped connect hundreds of employee volunteers with thousands of students from 42 schools in 14 school districts across Oregon. Volunteers help students improve their academic performance and understand why their education is relevant to their future.

Literacy Partners - Support middle school reading

Literacy Partners is E3's middle school reading program that connects volunteer employee reading partners with students to help them improve reading skills. Working in the schools, mentors typically meet once a week to read with students and use simple exercises to help students improve their literacy skills. Volunteers are needed in each of the following communities to read one-on-one each week with a middle school student.

Corvallis Literacy Partners

Corvallis' *Literacy Partners* program is in its second year. Mentors from local employers volunteer to read with sixth grade students at Cheldelin and Linus Pauling middle schools.

Eugene Literacy Partners

Eugene's *Literacy Partners* program is in its fourth year. Mentors from local employers meet weekly with students at Cal Young, Kelly, Monroe, and Spencer Butte middle schools.

Hillsboro Literacy Partners

Hillsboro's *Literacy Partners* program is in its second year. Mentors from local employers meet weekly with Hispanic students at Brown, Evergreen, J.W. Poynter, and Thomas middle schools. Spanish speaking skills are not required to volunteer.

Springfield Literacy Partners

Springfield's *Literacy Partners* program launched at three middle schools last fall. Mentors and students read together each week at Briggs, Thurston, and Hamlin middle schools.

To get involved in *Literacy Partners*, contact Kyle Ritchey-Noll directly at kyle@e3oregon.org or (503) 682-3168.

E3 Small High Schools - Bring real world relevance to the classroom

Portland - Leadership and Entrepreneurship Public Charter High School (LEP)

LEP is a charter school focused on leadership and entrepreneurship. Volunteers are needed to work with teachers and students to create authentic connections to real world problems and challenges, including creating a comprehensive internship program for its juniors.

McMinnville - Media Arts & Communications Academy (MACA)

MACA is a charter school focused on digital arts and communications. Volunteers are needed to support project based learning activities by providing content expertise and serving as panelists for student presentations.

Portland - Renaissance Arts Academy (RA2)

RA2 is a small arts focused high school at Marshall. Volunteers are needed to support seniors in their Senior Passages project, as mentors, content specialists, and panelists.

To get involved in *Partnership- Small Schools*, contact Kyle Ritchey-Noll directly at kyle@e3oregon.org or (503) 682-3168.

Other Partnership for Student Success Projects – Bridge the gap between the classroom and the workplace

Albany Learning-at-Work

Albany's *Learning-at-Work* effort is a program for high school juniors who are not achieving their academic potential. The program exposes students to a wide range of careers and businesses, focusing on strengthening their workforce skills and reinforcing education. Volunteers are needed to host worksite visits and help plan the activities for students. To get involved, contact Steve Kunke at Albany Public School District, (541) 967-4525 or steve_kunke@albany.k12.or.us.

Bend-La Pine School-to-Career Partnership

Bend-La Pine's *School-to-Career Partnership* helps its students acquire the skills and experiences they'll need to succeed in college and the workplace. Volunteers are needed to provide a wide range of career-related learning opportunities, such as job shadows, classroom speakers, mock interviews, internships and workplace tours for students at five high schools. To get involved, contact Vicki Van Buren at Bend-La Pine Public Schools, (541) 312-6770 or vicki.vanburen@bend.k12.or.us.

Forest Grove Youth Matters!

The Forest Grove *Youth Matters!* program is focused on schools, businesses and community members working together to increase adult involvement in the lives of youth. Business partners are needed to create partnerships with classrooms, working with students on projects that bring real-world relevance to learning. To get involved, contact Connie Potter at Forest Grove School District, (503) 359-2420 or cpotter@fgsd.k12.or.us.

Hermiston Project College Bound

Hermiston's *Project College Bound* is focused on helping more students successful prepare for and enroll in college following graduation. To get involved, contact Liz Marvin at Hermiston High School, (541) 667-6412 or liz.marvin@hermiston.k12.or.us.

Newberg Writing Partnership

The Newberg *Partnership for Student Success* is focused on improving the writing skills of high school students. Volunteers are needed to meet weekly with students who need writing support. To get involved, contact Terry Molander at Newberg School District, (503) 554-4433 or molandert@newberg.k12.or.us.

Redmond Job Shadow Program

The Redmond *Partnership for Student Success* has established a job shadow program to help students understand the skills and knowledge required for future success in college or the workplace. Volunteers are needed to provide job shadows for students. To get involved, contact Diane Dunbar at Redmond High School, (541) 923-4800 or diane.dunbar@redmond.k12.or.us.

Salem-Keizer Ready to Learn – Ready to Work

Salem-Keizer's *Ready to Learn – Ready to Work* program aims to show students the connection between their education and success in careers and college. Volunteers are needed to provide job shadows, mock interviews, internships, workplace tours and classroom presentations. To get involved, contact Cori Clausen at the Salem Chamber, (503) 581-1466 ext. 308 or coric@salemchamber.org or visit www.workandlearnnow.com.

For more information on the Partnership for Student Success program, visit the E3 website, www.E3oregon.org.