

Oregon GEAR UP Newsletter February 11, 2004

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1. Celebrating Educational Opportunities for Hispanic Students Conference

Purpose and Philosophy

The 2004 Northwest Conference will present innovative programs and strategies that have proven successful in strengthening the education of Hispanic/Latino students – strategies that can be applied across a variety of student groups. By showcasing successful models, the conference aims to assist school districts in developing their own programs to support educational opportunities for Hispanic/Latino students as well as the entire student population.

Who Should Attend

The conference will emphasize the governance and policy role of school board members in implementing such programs. It will also provide valuable information for superintendents and district-level staff responsible for the education of English language learners, migrant students, Hispanic/Latino students and other diverse student populations.

Register Now

Register on or before March 25, 2004 for only \$195 per person. After March 25, the fee goes up to \$225. The registration fee includes all conference materials, dinner on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. Guests may attend the dinner on Friday and/or the lunch on Saturday for just the cost of the meal. Please check the appropriate box(es) on the registration form. Registration available online at:

<http://www.osba.org/leadrshp/ceo/>

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**2. COSA Symposium Series "*Educating Children of Poverty*"**

Speaker: Dr. Donna Beegle; April 8, 2004 - Eugene Hilton, April 16, 2004 - Wilsonville Holiday Inn

What does it mean to leave no child behind? What does it mean to be from poverty and to go to school in America? Through sharing her journey out of "generational poverty", findings from her doctoral research on generational poverty, successful completion of a Bachelor's degree, and fifteen years of working in schools struggling with educating students from poverty, Donna Beegle will frame the discussion of how to successfully engage students and families from generational poverty in the education process.

Registration fees: COSA members \$90, Non-Members \$125. A team of 3 or more from a school accompanied by a COSA member will all be allowed to register at the COSA member rate.

Registration available at: <http://www.cosa.k12.or.us/professionalgrowth/sympseries.htm>

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3. Federal Student Aid for Counselors and Mentors workshop available online

For those of you who were not able to view the December 12, 2003 Broadcast "Federal Student Aid for Counselors and Mentors," an archived version of the web cast is available on line at: <http://www.edvideo.walcoff.com/archives.html>

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**4. Virtual Job Shadowing**

Looking for a way to introduce your students to a wide variety of careers? Check out this website:

<http://www.virtualjobshadow.com/default.asp>

The video careers section has lots of info including video clips, required education, job outlook, earnings, etc.

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5. GEAR UP News

Our Administrative Assistant Bobbi Jo Murray gave birth to a baby boy (Britt) this morning! He came in at 8 pounds, 2 ounces and he and mom are both doing great.

We've hired Natalie Toogood to fill in for Bobbi Jo while she's out with her new bundle of joy. Welcome to both Britt and Natalie.

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