

Teaching & Learning School Board Update for April 10, 2025

Elementary Report Card Update

The new report card has been revised to capture student progress as it relates to the Oregon common core state standards and the high expectations of the Molalla River School District. The former report card was very outdated and did not provide teachers with a format that adequately communicated student progress or the rigors of state standards in a manner that was easily understood by parents and families. The committee worked collaboratively to assure our new report card is in alignment with neighboring districts in reporting student progress to families in a clear and concise manner. The draft version has been sent for finalization and will be ready for implementation in the fall of 2025.

ELL Outreach and Multicultural Night

Over two hundred people attended the Multicultural Night at Molalla Elementary on April 24th open to all elementary families. The evening celebrated the Latino, Russian and Native American cultures with arts and crafts, music and dancing and food carts. A big thanks to Principal Womack and his staff in coordinating this effort. Prior to the event, English Language Learner Families were invited to attend a special gathering and provide feedback on their student's school experience this year. Comments included an appreciation for community events, the academic support of building staff in their students' learning. Suggestions included parenting classes and additional tutoring in math.

Summer Programs

Our district will continue to offer several summer programs including a two week Migrant Program that will be held at MES. A four week Elementary Summer School Enrichment Program: Clarkes and Mulino students will be attending Mulino for the summer program. MES and Rural Dell students will be attending MES for the summer program. In addition there will be a four week Middle Summer School Program held at the middle school. The staff to run these programs are all hired. Registration began on Monday.

K-12 Science Curriculum Adoption Proposal

The Science Curriculum Adoption committee, composed of 13 teachers and two administrators, have met over the past couple of months in selecting curriculum that will meet the needs of our students and fulfill science standards. They, along with their colleagues, chose to pilot lessons from these curriculum. For the past two weeks, we have invited the community to review the curriculum and give their input. Because the curriculum can be accessed digitally, links to the curriculum have been published in the Herald-Pioneer, Molalla River School District Website and Social Media posts and at each school's newsletter to parents (see attachment). In addition, hardcover materials and chromebooks with digital access were on display at the Molalla Public Library on April 28th and May 1st for several hours each.

Tonight we have three teachers representative of each level to talk about which

curriculum were their final selections and why they were chosen over others. For the elementary, teachers overwhelmingly want to continue with Mystery Science, the curriculum that was adopted the last time. Middle School Teachers recommend adopting Stile; presently they are using StemScopes. The High School recommends continuing with McGraw Hill Inspire Science.

The committee will seek Board approval at the School Board Meeting in June.



MOLALLA RIVER SCHOOLS

K-12 Science Curriculum Adoption

Molalla River School District has engaged in an extensive vetting process of instructional materials for Science. We coordinated teams of teachers and staff in reviewing materials that the Oregon Department of

Education has identified as high quality based on the Oregon Instructional Materials Evaluation Toolkit (OR-IMET) rubric. The teams used specific criteria and district instructional priorities to select the programs that best meet the needs of our students. We seek public feedback to help our School Board finalize their decision. The K-12 Science Curriculum Adoption Committee invites you to preview the proposed curriculum for adoption by the school board this Spring. We value community input. Please also fill out the feedback form.

Elementary

Publisher: **Mystery Science**

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Log In: molallariverdemo@gmail.com

Password: molallariverdemo1234

Middle School

Publisher: **Stile**

Log In: molallastudent@edustile.com

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High School

Publisher: **McGraw Hill**

McGraw Hill Electives: Anatomy & Physiology

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McGraw Hill Inspire Courses: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physical Science, Physical Science with Earth Science and Physics

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Password: 25McGrawscience (case sensitive)



Scan the QR Code or click the provided Feedback Form link

In-Person Review of Materials

For those community members who would like to see the materials in person, viewing will be available at Molalla Public Library on April 28th 5:30-7:00 PM and May 1st 4:00-6:00 PM.