

2018-2019 Legislative Preview and Discussion

November 2018

Agenda

1. Goals for the 2019 session
2. Session opportunities and challenges
3. Joint Committee on Student Success
4. Ongoing policy issues
5. Q and A and discussion

Key Goals for 2019

- Secure true roll-up (9.1 to 9.2 billion)
 - No new carve outs
 - No change to formula weight
- Highlight investment beyond roll up
 - Roll up doesn't provide additional support

Key Goals for 2019

- Key Statewide Administrative Priorities
 - Education workforce (15.8 million)
 - SEL (\$75 million)
 - Early Learning (163.5 million)
- Increased Early Intervention/ECSE funding

Key Goals for 2019

- Continued K-12 Facilities Investments
 - \$100 million for Seismic Readiness
 - \$100 million for OSCIM (bond matching grants)

- Revenue Reform
 - Resulting in significant K-12 investments

Key Goals for 2019

- **Cost Containment**
 - Resulting in savings on PERS and healthcare costs without negatively impacting workforce
 - Recruitment/Retention or passing costs to districts

What's Happening?

- The economy and revenues are still strong in the short term
- Both the corporate and personal kicker will be triggered
- Many of the students and families we serve are still struggling

What's Happening?

- State revenues are not keeping pace with district cost drivers; despite record revenue, the Governor and Legislature are facing a \$1 billion funding shortfall
- This shortfall does not include an adequate K-12 roll up

Opportunities and Challenges

REVENUE REFORM

- Legislative supermajority-likely bi-partisan
- Election results
- Significant K-12 investment
- Key partners: OSBA, COSA, OSEA, OEA

Cost Containment

- Any package requires bi-partisan support
- Slow growth of PERS and healthcare costs
- Pay down PERS liability
- Can't pass the buck
- Can't negatively impact workforce

Joint Committee on Student Success

Purpose: To develop a plan to improve student success, including a budget proposal that ensures every student in Oregon... will have the opportunity to succeed

- 14 member bipartisan committee appointed by Senate president and House Speaker
- 10 total public hearings
- Recommendations scheduled for Nov.

Ongoing Policy Issues

- Class size- mandatory subject of bargaining
- Instructional time
- Special Education funding
- Facilities funding for early learning
- Dual credits
- School safety (broad definition)
- School improvement fund
- Mandatory reporting
- Employee misconduct

What's Next?

- Revenue forecast: November 14th
- Governor's recommended budget: 1st week of Dec.
- 2019 session organizational days: Jan. 14th-16th
- 2019 session begins: January 22nd

Questions?

1. What are the major issues of concern for you as a board heading into the legislative session?
2. If additional revenue were available, what ideas do you have to invest into a school improvement fund?