Distinguished Educators Council

Making Oregon a Great Place to Teach

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Distinguished Educators Council (DEC)

13 Oregon teachers recognized for their expertise and success:

Allan Bruner, Colton High School; 2006 Oregon Teacher of the Year
Lionel Clegg, Woodlawn School, Portland; Founder, Boys of Distinction 2002
Kelly Devlin, David Douglas School District; 2000 Milken Educator Award
Donna DuBois, Camas Ridge Community School, Eugene; 2010 Oregon Teacher of the Year
Nubia Green, Chávez Elementary School, Salem; "Literacy Squared" Lead Educator
Michael Mann, Dexter McCarty Middle School, Gresham; National Board Certified 2000
Sean McGenney, Hamilton Creek School, Lebanon; Portfolio Project Co-Chair 2011-12
Mary McGinnis, Tillamook Options Program School; Missouri STARR Teacher 2008-10
Jessica Smith, West Albany High School; Business-Education Proficiency Coach
Karen Stiner, High Desert Middle School, Bend; 2007-09 Einstein Educator Fellowship
Tandy Wolf, Cedaroak Park School, West Linn; 2010 OnPoint Educator of the Year
Colleen Works, Corvallis High School; 2011 Oregon Teacher of the Year
Kevin Zerzan, Gladstone High School; 2009 Milken Educator Award

Represent different regions across the state, grade levels, disciplines, and student populations

Presenters:

- Todd Jones, West Linn High School, Council Staff

- Sean McGeeney, Lebanon Community Schools
- Mary McGinnis, Tillamook School District
- Jessica Smith, Greater Albany Public Schools
- Colleen Works, Corvallis High School

Focus on All Phases of Teacher Careers

Recommendation #1:

Emphasize classroom experience and effective mentors in teacher preparation.

Recommendation #2:

Provide meaningful, ongoing evaluations of teachers that contribute to improved teaching practices and increased student achievement.

Recommendation #3:

Ensure personalized professional learning opportunities tailored to each teacher's needs and the students they teach.

Recommendation #4:

Establish new leadership opportunities and career pathways for the most effective teachers.

Recommendation #5:

Ensure Oregon's teachers can address the needs of diverse students.

We urge the OEIB to consider:

- Inviting ongoing distinguished educator testimony
- Continuing to prioritize investments in great teaching