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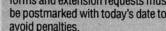
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Today is the tax filing deadline. Tax forms and extension requests must be postmarked with today's date to avoid penalties.

Last-minute tax help

For assistance with federal tax forms:

- To download federal tax forms or get more information, go to www.irs.gov.
- Call the IRS customer service line at 1-800-829-1040 for federal tax help.
- Call the IRS TeleTax line at 1-800-829-4477 for info on more than 100 tax topics.

For help with Oregon tax forms:

- To download Oregon forms or get. more information, visit www.dor.state.or.us.
- The Oregon Department of Revenue has a Web site for students at www.steps2cash.org.
- Call 1-800-356-4222 to hear recorded tax information or to check on the status of a 2001 refund.

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office, library or IRS office, but for those who have waited until the last minute, federal forms and instructions are available to download from the Internet at www.irs.gov, and Oregon income tax forms and instructions are available at www.dor.state.or.us.

Oregon residents who have taxable incomes of \$50,000 or less can file Form 40S for state taxes. Out-of-state students should use Form 40N for any revenue earned in the state of Oregon.

Dianne Thielman, co-owner of local tax preparation service McClure Associates, said students who are not claimed as dependents by their parents and who file independently must file federal tax forms if they earned \$7,450 or more. In Oregon, anyone who earned over \$4,450 must file, Thielman said.

If their parents claim them as dependents for tax purposes, students should file a tax return if their gross earned income is more than \$1,800, Thielman said.

Students who can't file their taxes by the deadline tonight should file Form 4868, which provides a fourmonth extension for federal and state taxes. Form 4868 can be filed in paper form, electronically by phone or over the Internet, or by estimating taxes due and paying part or all of that bill electronically with a credit card.

Oregon Department of Revenue and IRS employees will help lastminute tax filers at seven Oregon post offices today. Employees will provide forms and instructions and will answer questions regarding filing a return or an extension.

We know there are many people who need our help, and we're glad to assist them in getting their returns filed on time," revenue department worker Jill Bonney-Hill said in a press statement April 8.

Post offices across Oregon have extended hours and services to help meet the tax-time crunch. Eugene's Main Post-Office, at 520 Willamette St., will offer taxpayer assistance from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., but not during the workday. Window service, where students can have mail weighed and buy postage and envelopes, will remain open until 9 p.m. Mail collections will be available until midnight. Another option is the Gateway Post Office, at 3148 Gateway St., which will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. today. The last mail collection there will be at midnight. Call 341-3649 for more information.

With such a rush to meet the deadline, plan on seeing a large last-minute turnout.

"I'm not looking forward to it," Schricker said.

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