

MHS leads district in college credit courses

By HERB SWETT
For the Keizertimes

College and career readiness was the subject of a work session the Salem-Keizer School Board held Tuesday following its regular monthly meeting.

The first of two sessions on readiness, it was a report from the administration on college-level courses available in the high schools. The second session is expected to follow the board's Jan. 12 meeting.

Kelly Carlisle, assistant superintendent, was the main presenter for the session, which outlined the program and showed the progress it was making.

The vision is to have all students graduate and be prepared for successful lives. Charts shown on a screen presentation started with one showing arrows pointing from the high school to the workforce, job skills training, the community college and the university. Also on the chart were pathways among all five.

"The ability to navigate pathways is what we must prepare our students to do," Carlisle said.

A pie chart showed types of college-level courses taken in the high schools in 2014. College Credit Now, in which the district cooperates with Chemeketa Community College, provided 49 percent of the courses. Advance Placement/International Baccalaureate, a program owned by College Board, provided 48 percent, and Willamette Promise, a joint effort of the Willamette Education Service District and Western Oregon University, provided 3 percent. McNary led the high schools in College Credit Now courses taken last year. South Salem led in AP/IB courses, and McKay and West Salem were the only schools offering Willamette Promise.

Some of the charts involved ethnicities. One that showed numbers of 2014 Salem-Keizer graduates alongside num-

bers of graduates enrolled in college the first year after high school showed 1,269 white students, of whom 830 were in college. The numbers were 689 and 433 for Hispanic/Latino students, 97 and 62 for multiracial, 71 and 60 for Asian, 26 and 15 for American Indian and Native Alaskan, 22 and 13 for black/African American, and 34 and 18 for Pacific islanders.

There were charts showing academic readiness of Oregon public university freshmen, community colleges not included, in 2013, as well as percentages of students who stayed in Oregon public universities for their sophomore years in 2011, 2012 and 2013. They compared students from the Salem-Keizer district with students in the state as a whole, and consistently the figures for the state as a whole were slightly higher. Carlisle said, "We can only hypothesize the reasons why we are slightly behind the state average."

Band holiday concert Dec. 16

The public is invited to the Keizer Community Band's second annual holiday concert on Wednesday, Dec. 16.

The free concert takes place from 7 to 8 p.m. at Keizer Civic Center, 930 Chemawa Road NE.

The family-friendly concert will feature carols, holiday favorites and a sing-along finale.

For more information, contact director Michael Koenig at 503-930-0707.

police scanner

SATURDAY, NOV. 28

• 8:30 p.m. - Shoplifting on 4300 block River Road N.

SUNDAY, NOV. 29

• 2 p.m. - Shoplifting on 6300 block Ulali Drive NE.
• 7:05 p.m. - Telephone harassment on 3400 block Cherry Ave. NE.
• 8:55 p.m. - Arrest for hit and run accident on 4800 block River Road N.
• 9:26 p.m. - Arrest for criminal mischief, crime damage, escape, assaulting police officer, unlawful possession of heroin, kidnapping, menacing threats, bench warrant, resisting arrest and assault on 6400 block Keizer Station Blvd. NE.
• 9:41 p.m. - Arrest for unlawful possession of methamphetamine on 1800 block Chelan Street NE.

• 10:30 p.m. - Stolen vehicle on 5900 block Trail Ave. NE.

MONDAY, NOV. 30

• 10:26 a.m. - Theft by deception on 400 block Chemawa Road N.
• 1:15 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 5900 block Ulali Drive NE.
• 4:07 p.m. - Traffic accident on Lockhaven Drive N. and River Road N.

TUESDAY, DEC. 1

• 12:30 a.m. - Physical harassment on 3700 block Brooks Ave. NE.
• 9:50 a.m. - Theft from a building on 500 block Chemawa Road N.
• 1:34 p.m. - Identity theft on 1900 block Modoc Drive NE.
• 1:34 p.m. - Theft on 3200 block Mayfield Place N.
• 4:33 p.m. - Theft on 6300

block Ulali Drive NE.

• 5:15 p.m. - Accident on 4200 block River Road N.
• 5:35 p.m. - Accident on Cherry Ave. NE. and Plymouth Drive NE.
• 6 p.m. - Theft on 900 block Sagrada Circle N.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2

• 11:57 a.m. - Shoplifting on 5000 block River Road N.
• 1:13 p.m. - Theft from building on 5600 block Windsor Island Road N.
• 5:14 p.m. - Traffic accident on 4900 block River Road N.

THURSDAY, DEC. 3

• 12:48 a.m. - Arrest for warrant on River Road N. and Garland Way N.
• 9:43 a.m. - Accident on Beebe Street NE. and Arnold Street NE.
• 4:17 p.m. - Theft on 1300 Northern Heights Loop NE.
• 8:10 p.m. - Traffic accident at Lockhaven Drive NE. and River Road N.
• 8:54 p.m. - Arrest for warrant and unlawful possession of methamphetamine on 100 block Chemawa Road N.
• 9:57 p.m. - Arrest for probation violation warrant on 6900 block 8th Court NE.

\$14 million grant targets impoverished students

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Grants totaling more than \$14 million were accepted by the Salem-Keizer School Board on Tuesday.

The largest, itself more than \$14 million, was one of three from the Oregon Department of Education. It is a \$14,288,417 Title 1A instructional services grant that supplements district resources to ensure that students in schools with high percentages of poverty meet challenging state academic standards.

Also from ODE were two focus grants, \$37,042 for Swegle Elementary School and \$33,881 for Grant School. Both will support teacher improvement, supplemental instruction and family engagement activities.

Early Learning Hub, Inc., provided \$87,000 to increase

children's readiness for kindergarten, strengthen connections between early learning and K-12, and expand or launch a model for such connections that has the potential to be copied elsewhere. Another Early Learning Grant provides \$3,500 for parenting education curriculum.

The remaining grant, in the amount of \$2,800, is from the Siletz Tribal Charitable Con-

tribution Fund and will support the cost of a mathematics tutor for Native American students.

In other business, the board voted for Kaye Jones of the Silver Falls School District as the unopposed candidate for Position 12 on the Oregon School Boards Association board of directors and for one of its own members, Chris Brantley, as the unopposed

candidate for Position 11 on the OSBA legislative policy committee.

Personnel actions the board approved involved four employees in the McNary High School attendance area. Kathleen Jensen and Lisa Perkins were hired as temporary full-time learning resources center

teachers at Whiteaker Middle School. The board accepted the resignations of Miguel Campos as an orchestra teacher at Whiteaker and Virginia Hopkins as a second-grade English for speakers of other languages teacher at Keizer Elementary School.

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