

# Unfinished learning leads to district intervention

Due to the 2020-2021 COVID-19 pandemic, Salem-Keizer Public Schools (SKPS) students have unfinished learning. The district will utilize current MTSS structures and systems to identify students and to match appropriate interventions to

ensure every student receives the right instruction at the right time. Because ensuring student learning towards state standards is the basic function of our schools and school staff, as is intervening when students are not making expected

progress, our MTSS structures are the best mechanisms for identification, monitoring, and decision-making about unfinished learning needs. Several funding sources support the effort to address unfinished learning and provide the right instruction at the right time for every student.

The data and budget implications for the general funds (K-12) include:

- Staffing of schools with licensed, classified, and administrative support to ensure student learning.
- Additional staffing for Co-Teaching and Embedded Services and Supports in Tier 1 Instruction (Elementary, Middle, High)

• SEL and Attendance Support (e.g., Knock and Connect, Counseling) (Elementary, Middle, High)

- Technology Supports and Curriculum for Distance Learning and MTSS Systems
- Alternative Education Programming
- Student Health Supports (Nursing and School Based Health Assistants)
- Proficiency-based Credit Recover Programs (High School)
- Credit Recovery Courses (High School)
- After-school Tutoring (Elementary, Middle, High)

For more information, visit the district website (<https://salkeiz.k12.or.us/>).

## MPFS donation will clear up Salem library fines

If you happened to check out a book from the Salem Public Library last March and – for some reason – still have it laying around, you'll be able to turn it in next month for food instead of fees.

The library's Food for Fines returns for its second year of its no-contact virtual program, still benefiting Marion-Polk Food Share, Salem Public Library, and the community.

For every \$1 donated to Marion Polk Food Share, Salem Public Library will reduce library fines by \$5. The program applies to overdue fines only.

Patrons can take part in a few easy steps:

- Visit Marion Polk Food Share's Food for Fines webpage and make a donation.
- Forward the email confirmation to

SPLcirc@cityofsalem.net

• Include the library barcode number(s) for the account(s) to which the library should apply the fine forgiveness.

• Receive a confirmation email from Salem Public Library detailing fines forgiven.

Overdue fine issues can be accessed in advance by logging into library accounts online or with the help of library staff at SPLcirc@cityofsalem.net or 503-588-6315. All items returned through our Curbside Service are checked in, free of overdue fines. Even if items you are returning have "overdue" or "lost" status, the charges will be eliminated when checked in through Curbside Service at Salem Public Library at Broadway.

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## Design next T-shirt for WillaMutt Strut

The Willamette Humane Society (WHS) launched a T-shirt design contest for the group's annual WillaMutt Strut, which will be virtual on June 6.

Between now and May 5, artists can create a design and submit it to the WHS team at [events@whs4pets.org](mailto:events@whs4pets.org) with the subject line "WillaMutt Strut T-shirt Contest Entry." The winner will be announced May 10.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the WillaMutt Strut, Willamette Humane Society's annual fun run and dog party. This event is also WHS's second-largest fundraising event of the year. The special black T-shirt will be provided to participants, and the winning design will be printed in silver on the front of the garment.

Artists should submit a high-res (300 dpi) PDF, JPEG, or Adobe Illustrator file. Hand-drawn entries will not be accepted. No compensation (aside from bragging rights and five T-shirts) will be provided.

In addition to a special T-shirt, WillaMutt Strut plans include My Dog will Eat That and My Cat will Eat That contests. Ticketed participants can also submit a snap of their mixed-breed pup for a chance to win the 2022 WillaMutt crown. And ticketed participants will have the opportunity to attend a virtual part also slated on June 6.

Tickets for the WillaMutt Strut are on sale at [humanehero.whs4pets.org](http://humanehero.whs4pets.org).

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