

CSD named transformation district

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INDEPENDENCE — Central School District has been named a transformation district along with 14 others in the state, said Dorie Vickery, director of curriculum and instruction.

"The Oregon Department of Education is still working out what this means," she said at Monday's school

board meeting. "They are building this on the fly. It's an improvement-type model. The status is for four years. There's some funding that comes with it, and there will be expected outcomes."

The designation is for schools who are not meeting ODE's expectations for English Language Learners.

"There were a bunch of data points," Vickery said. "Central has not made an-

nual achievable objectives in forever, and neither have a bunch of other schools."

Learning a second language in the classroom comes with a significant number of variables, she said.

"The positive note on this is we have already made significant gains," Vickery said. "We started our improvement plan."

The district has implemented the "Be Glad Train-

ing," a professional development model in the area of language learning and literacy developed by the U.S. Department of Education.

Vickery said part of the Be Glad Training is taking science and social studies standards and integrating them with language arts standards.

Also, Vickery said she is working with middle school and high school staff and has changed the exiting process.

County VSO program progresses

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DALLAS — The Polk County Board of Commissioners approved an application with the state on Aug. 2 for half-year funding for the new Veterans' Service Officer program that will begin in January.

The state is slated to send the county \$31,000 to help pay for the program. Polk County included \$40,000 in its 2016-17 budget to launch the service. Previously, veterans seeking services had to go Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs in Salem.

County Administrator Greg Hansen said the county has found a possible location for an office, the former Claire's Mercantile on Washington Street in Dallas.

"It would require some minor renovations," Hansen said. "It gives them their own site. It has a lot of positives to it."

Student registration begins at Polk County schools

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POLK COUNTY — Schools in Polk County will begin registering new and returning students this week and next.

For more information about registration, call the school offices at the numbers listed.

Here is the schedule for registering students in area schools:

Central School District
• Ash Creek Elementary School, 1360 N. 16th St., Monmouth — Registration is open, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. 503-606-9016.
• Independence Elemen-

tary School, 150 S. Fourth St. Independence — Registration is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. 503-838-1322.

• Monmouth Elementary School, 958 E. Church St., Monmouth — Registration is open 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. 503-838-1433

• Talmadge Middle School, 51 16th St., Independence — Tuesday, sixth-grade students, 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.; Aug. 17, seventh-grade students, 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.; Aug. 18, eighth-grade students, 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. 503-606-2252.
• Central High School,

1530 Monmouth St., Independence — Seniors on Monday 3 to 7 p.m.; juniors on Tuesday 3 to 7 p.m.; sophomores on Aug. 17 3 to 7 p.m.; and freshman on Aug. 18 3 to 7 p.m. 503-838-0480.

Dallas School District
• Lyle Elementary School, 185 SW Levens St., Dallas — Registration is, 7 to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. 503-623-8367.

• Oakdale Heights Elementary School, 1375 SW Maple St., Dallas — Registration is open during office hours, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. 503-623-8316.
• Whitworth Elementary

School, 1151 SE Miller Ave., Dallas — Registration is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 503-623-8351.

• LaCreole Middle School, 701 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas — Registration for current, in-district students is on Tuesday and Aug. 17 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3 to 6:30 p.m.; new students on Aug. 18 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 503-623-6662.

• Dallas High School, 1250 SE Holman Ave., Dallas — Seniors on Monday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; juniors on Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., sophomore on Aug. 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and freshman on Aug. 18, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 503-623-8336.

• Morrison Campus Alternative School, 1251 Main St., Dallas — Registration is Monday through Aug. 18. Call the school for more information, 503-623-8480.

Falls City School District
• Falls City High School, 111 N. Main St., Falls City — Registration begins Monday during office hours, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. 503-787-3521.

• Falls City Elementary School, 177 Prospect St., Falls City — Registration begins Monday during office hours, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. 503-787-3521.
Perrydale School District

• Registration continues Wednesday (today) noon to 7 p.m. Go to www.perrydale.k12.or.us/home for forms and more information. 503-623-2040.

Luckiamute Valley Charter School
• Registration forms will be accepted at any time.

Online registration is available at http://lvcs.k12.or.us/?page_id=29.

Forms also can be downloaded and returned via email to a.chase@lvcs.k12.or.us or mailed to 17475 Bridgeport Rd. Dallas, OR 97338. 503-623-4837.

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