

Psilocybin: Oregon residents react positively to plan

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in training program approval. This is an exciting foundation to build upon.”

In addition, the survey provides important data on the demographics of people interested in seeking psilocybin services, training program approval and license types.

OHA will begin accepting applications for licensure in January 2023.

Oregon Psilocybin Services is charged with implementing ballot Measure 109, also known as the Oregon Psilocybin Services Act. It was passed in November 2020 and directs OHA to license and regulate the manufacturing, transportation, delivery, sale and purchase of psilocybin products and the provision of psilocybin services over a two-year development period, which began in January 2021.

During this time, OHA is building the new Oregon Psilocybin Services Section, and working to establish rules for the production of psilocybin and provision of psilocybin services in the state of Oregon.

Oregon is the first and only state in the United States implementing a psilocybin services program.

An estimated one in every five adults in Oregon is coping with a mental health condition, Measure 109 reads. The governor has declared addiction as a public health crisis in the state with an estimated \$2.8 billion spent on mental health and behavioral health programs.

Studies conducted by nationally and internationally recognized medical institutions indicate that psilocybin has shown efficacy, tolerability, and safety in the treatment of a variety of mental health conditions, including but not limited to addiction, depression, anxiety disorders, and end-of-life psychological distress.

Wrestling team beats last year's state ranking

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Warrenton's wrestling team traveled to Culver and LaPine high schools for girls and boys state championships respectively.

For the girls, sophomore Grace Thoma, at 100 pounds, was Warrenton's lone entry and the second girl from Warrenton High School to ever qualify for state.

As a new wrestler who joined the team midseason, she still is learning a lot, Coach Corey Conant said.

“But she is very well conditioned and has simply outworked her opponents in her wins this year,” he said. “She went the distance in both her matches and gained valuable experience that she will bring

Nevada joins NW Drug Consortium

The NW Prescription Drug Consortium run by Oregon and Washington welcomed the state of Nevada into the fray this week.

The state-backed NW Prescription Drug Consortium focuses on helping government and private purchasers of prescription drugs save money by providing a prescription drug discount card, pharmacy benefit management, prescription drug vouchers, workers compensation pharmacy benefits and Medicaid prescription drug management programs.

The consortium benefits more than 1.1 million people in Oregon and Washington, helping them save money on needed prescription drugs.

State agencies that purchase drugs are core participants, but the program is open to local government, private-sector businesses, labor organizations and individuals.

“We are thrilled to welcome

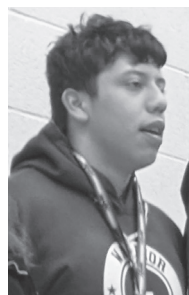
back next year.”

On the boys' side, the 3A state tournament saw the three teams from the eastern league as a dominant force, taking three of the top four team spots, and nine of the 14 individual titles. They had a representative in every final.

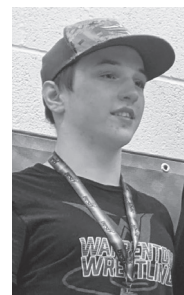
Warrenton had 10 qualifiers and attempted to improve its seventh-place finish from last year.

“We did that, coming in sixth,” Conant said. “Just as we had all season long, we scored points across our lineup, but not enough to lift us into the top tier.”

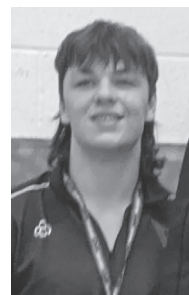
Three Warriors placed and



Alex Tapia



P. Greenawald



Josh Smith

two more reached the blood round, or round of 12, before placing (those who win remain and those who lose are out).

Senior Alex Tapia (18-4) placed second and showed a huge amount of determination and grit this season, Conant said.

“He made the finals at a very tough weight (170) and let it fly,” he said. “We couldn't be prouder of his growth as a wrestler and as a person. He may be the most widely liked wrestler by teammates and opponents in all of 3A wrestling.”

Senior Parker Greenawald (29-9) finished fourth at 145 pounds.

Missing nearly all of last year because of an injury, Parker emerged as a leader and an example for the younger wrestlers, Conant said.

Senior Josh Smith (29-7) took fourth at 220 lbs. “Placing at state in only his third

year wrestling is quite an accomplishment and speaks to the amount of work Josh put in at practice and how well he has listened to his coaches,” Conant said.

Sophomore Max Smith (19-13) at 160 and freshman Kaison Smith (32-11) at 220, were both a match away from placing.

Freshman Brayden Greenawald (25-17) at 126 and junior James Mickelson (28-7) at 170, also won matches at state and will return next year.

Seniors Austin Atwood (21-10), Jorge Lopez (14-8), and junior Raul Molina (19-9) wrestled tough but did not win their matches.

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