



## Teacher Newsletter - May 12, 2022



## 2022 Spring Teacher Workshop



### Upcoming Event -

Summer Teacher Workshop: August 1 – 3 at OSU

### ***Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Spring Teacher Workshop!***

Some of the events included interactive sessions, an inspiring teacher Share Fair, meeting virtual livestock and sampling different types of cheese. And touring the stunning Peavy Forest Science Center, constructed with cross-laminated timber and mass plywood panels. Martha Lazo, was awarded the SMILE Leadership and Service Award. We also celebrated Ken Dickey and Tonya Jones. It's their final year as SMILE teachers after over 20 years. They've made a lasting impact on students, fellow teachers, and SMILE staff. We'll greatly miss having them as part of the program.

[Click Here](#) for the 2022 Spring Teacher Workshop folder! Currently, you'll find photos from the workshop and the video compilation that was shown on Saturday. Check back, as session materials will be added to this folder as well.

## Incentives and Videos

### Challenge Incentive Distribution -

Teachers who have met the qualifications to receive \$300 in Challenge incentives, will receive their payment via BennyBuy.

### Challenge Incentive Breakdown –

It isn't too late to qualify for the Challenge incentives! Submit Concept Maps - \$100 per teacher. Complete at least two Challenge related club log entries in Ideal-Logic - \$100 per teacher. If you attended a final showcase before your video was finished, you can still upload a video - \$100 per teacher.

[Click Here](#) for the video upload folder.

### LaCuKnos Incentives –

It's that time again! We'll be distributing incentives for logging another round of LaCuKnoS activities in Ideal-Logic. The cut-off date to log your LaCuKnoS activities is Friday, June 3. Each teacher will receive \$20 per LaCuKnoS activity, for up to 10 total activities.

### Challenge Videos

Incase you'd like to show your students Challenge videos from other clubs, here's a list of schools with uploaded products. They are organized by school district in the following folder [Click Here](#).

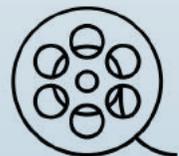
**Forest Grove School District** – Forest Grove HS (PowerPoint slides)

**Four Rivers Community Schools** – Four Rivers ES (Video 7 is stop motion), Four Rivers MS

**Nyssa School District** – Nyssa ES, Nyssa MS, Nyssa HS

**Siletz Valley School District** – Siletz ES, Siletz MS/HS (worked together)

**Three Rivers School District** – Evergreen ES, Lorna Byrne MS, Hidden Valley HS (PowerPoint slides)



**Willamina School District** – Willamina ES, Willamina HS

**Woodburn School District** – Lincoln ES, Washington ES, Nellie Murre ES, French Prairie MS



## STEM Week Oregon, May 14 - 22

### ***STEM Week Oregon: Design, Invent, Inspire!***

This Saturday marks the beginning of the 8<sup>th</sup> annual STEM Week Oregon, a state-wide movement to raise awareness, celebrate and engage in activities involving Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM).

**SMILE teachers**, you are encouraged to take a couple of minutes to register your weekly SMILE club meeting on the STEM Oregon website, [Click Here](#).

The site also includes information on free, interactive, 30 – 45 min virtual sessions for K-12 students.

All you need to do to participate is sign up! Let us know what you are doing: with your family, your class, your neighborhood. Participate in daily themed challenges and post photos and videos of your work on social media with #STEMweekOR2022, or do your own thing and tell us about it! STEAM is all around us- explore it!

**Prizes:** Register each of your activities and/or join a Live Oregon Connections session to enter a drawing for \$50, \$200, and \$500 for STEM Kits/Equipment! Prizes have been donated by STEM Week sponsors, Intel and Pitsco!

All entries are eligible to win prizes! More activities = more chances to win!

Represent your city, school, organization!

## 2022 SMILE Scholarship



### ***SMILE High School Teachers –***

Through the support of generous donors, the SMILE Program is pleased to be able to offer SMILE Club participants who will be attending OSU the opportunity to receive a SMILE Scholarship. *This year only, all participants who complete the application will be awarded funds.*

SMILE Scholarships are open to current SMILE Club participants who are accepted to Oregon State University and will attend the Corvallis Campus, as an undergraduate student, Fall Term 2022, which begins in late September. Minimum scholarship is \$1,000. Deadline to apply is Friday, June 17, 2022. Funds will be awarded Fall Term 2022.

***The application is available for students to complete online:***

[https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1CgVt36N9B1DrUO](https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1CgVt36N9B1DrUO)

Contact us if you have any questions:

[SMILEprogram@oregonstate.edu](mailto:SMILEprogram@oregonstate.edu)



## Opportunity for High School Students



The High School Journalism Institute class of 2019. (Randy L. Rasmussen)

*For the application: [Click Here](#)*

### **The High School Journalism Institute**

The High School Journalism Institute is a unique opportunity to get hands-on experience in journalism.

The eight-day, no-cost institute runs during summers at the Oregon State University campus in Corvallis. Students stay in residence halls on campus; work with journalism professionals from The Oregonian/OregonLive and other Oregon media outlets; and use Orange Media Network's state-of-the-art facilities. They also earn a college credit.

With guidance from their professional mentors, participants use real journalism skills to report and photograph a 32-page newspaper, as well as blog and produce multimedia pieces for The Oregonian's website, OregonLive.com. Students also will get a chance to explore the campus and meet members of the award-winning university newspaper, The Daily Barometer.

The experience at the institute will help show you that journalism is an important career that might be the right choice for you.

The deadline to apply is May 20. If you have questions, please email Elliot Njus at [enjus@oregonian.com](mailto:enjus@oregonian.com) or call 503-294-5034

## Activity Spotlight



### Eye of the Tiger

**Subjects:** Engineering  
**Grades:** 6 - 12

Being able to express your thoughts and ideas clearly is an essential skill that is crucial during the initial stages of the engineering design process (EDP). Drawing and sketching are effective tools to achieving this objective. This activity proves that everybody has the ability to sketch out their ideas and with practice, become even better.

[Click Here](#) for materials.

### Biodiversity in a Leaf Pack

**Subjects:** Biology and Ecology  
**Grades:** 4 - 5

If your school is located near a stream or river, it's a great time of year for this lesson! Students in this lesson will learn about streams and the macroinvertebrates that live in them, And make artificial leaf packs to create model habitats for freshwater macroinvertebrates in riffles and pools of local streams.

[Click Here](#) for materials.

