



AllPrep Academies and Early Colleges are non-profit, accredited schools for students who seek a self-paced, rigorous education outside their traditional public school program.



Through partnerships with families, communities and school districts, AllPrep schools provide supported, accessible learning to prepare students for further education or career attainment.



- Baker AllPrep Academy
- Baker AllPrep Early College
- Estacada AllPrep Academy
- Estacada AllPrep Early College
- Marcola AllPrep Academy
- Marcola AllPrep Early College
- Sheridan AllPrep Academy
- Silvies River AllPrep Academy
- Sisters AllPrep Academy
- Sisters AllPrep Early College
- Washington AllPrep Academy

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### Our Direction

Even though financial resources remain tight, we are very committed to providing a personalized education that emphasizes the “3 Rs”, Rigor, Relevance and Relationships.

#### Relationships

We emphasize the idea that our teachers need to get to know every student well. We also believe we should have strong community relationships that can be used to benefit our students and strong relationships amongst our staff, and the staff of our district sponsors.

We also believe in the importance of getting to know the student’s family.

Relationships are the foundational key to the other two “Rs”, Rigor and Relevance, and certainly the key to personalizing, customizing, the curriculum to meet the needs of each student.

#### Relevance

We believe that if a student understands the importance of what they are learning, skills they are developing, they will be more motivated to and more successful. This means answering the “why do I need to know this?” with more than an “it will be on the test” type of answer. It means putting together a program that fits the strengths of each student. It means making the curriculum challenging, and fun. For us, it also means more AllPrep Options.

#### Rigor

We believe that high expectations are a key to success. Our expectation is that every student would be assisted and motivated by AllPrep staff, the student’s family, and the community, to complete more than a year of curriculum during a single school year. We expect most students to start college courses as sophomores in high school through our program and we are committed to paying for these college courses. One of our objectives is to have every student graduate having taken at least one college course, and most students should graduate having accomplished a year of college course work.

#### **With this in mind, the following are the goals of all AllPrep Schools:**

- Increase student learning and motivation to learn (*through a **personalized** education that emphasizes **Rigor, Relevance and Relationships***)
- Increase the quality and quantity of AllPrep options (*all about **personalization and relevance***)
- Increase staff effectiveness (*emphasizing **relationships** as well as **rigorous and relevant teacher training***)
- Increase the stability and longevity of the organization (*so we can be around to offer a **personalized** education*)
- Increase the quality and quantity of data we use to determine our effectiveness in achieving objectives (*holding our organization to **rigorous** standards*)
- Develop schools and programs that meet the needs of specific communities (***Relevance and personalization** on a broader scale*)

I am assuming that anyone reading this is somehow a member of our student support community and, therefore, we need you to join us in supporting **each** student. Especially as resources are limited, and we are not able to develop programs to assist students as quickly as we would like, we could really use your help. Please join our cause by helping us to emphasize high expectations and supporting our students in every way possible.

Sincerely, Tim King, Director, AllPrep Academies and Early Colleges

## Save The Dates . . .



Monday, January 25  
Champoeg Park  
Grades: K-5

Feb. 1, Mar. 15, Apr. 12  
Science Fair Series  
(see article to the right)

Wednesday, February 24  
OMSI  
Grades: 3-8

Wednesday, March 10  
Jensen Arctic Museum  
Grades: K-3

Friday, April 23  
OMSI  
Grades: 3-8

Monday, May 17  
Mission Museum  
Grades: K-4

Monday, May 24  
Newport—Quest/Hatfield  
Grades: K-12

Please contact your teacher for more information about these field trips.

Some require advance sign up and/or fees.

### Central Oregon Region:

Wednesday, January 20  
Science in Sisters  
9:30 am to 1:30 pm  
Contact Ms. Moore at [smoore@allprep.us](mailto:smoore@allprep.us) to complete required OdysseyWare experiments.

Friday, January 29  
Field Trip:  
High Desert Museum  
10:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Bring your friends and family as we explore all the offerings of the High Desert Museum. Be sure to bring a coat and a lunch.  
**Admission: Ages 5 – 12 is \$6.00/Ages 13+ is \$10.00.**  
For more information, contact Ms. Moore at [smoore@allprep.us](mailto:smoore@allprep.us).



**Dear AllPrep Community,** Scientific inquiry is an important part of Oregon and national educational standards. In Oregon, scientific inquiry benchmarks are measured during the 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> grades.

AllPrep teachers agree that meeting these standards are important because these skills will serve students' higher-level thinking in a variety of settings. Besides, investigating questions and finding your own answers can be so rewarding and fun! We want to help prepare you for state assessments

and skills by inviting you to join the Science Fair Seminar.

On **2/1, 3/15, and 4/12 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm**, teachers Jennifer Seretan and Jennifer Fullilove will be offering a **series** on scientific inquiry (at our Clackamas location in room 215 on 2/1 and 4/12; George Fox University on 3/15). These workshops are highly recommended and are open to students grades 4, 7, and 9 only. These labs will **replace a full unit** in comparable Odyssey curriculum (students will choose a

their own topic)! Students will deepen their understanding of scientific investigation and create their own **science fair project** to present on April 12th, where family and friends will be welcome.

To sign up, please contact Cindy Cole by January 15<sup>th</sup> at [ccole@allprep.us](mailto:ccole@allprep.us). You will receive a confirmation e-mail (or notification that spots are filled), by January 20<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to reserve a spot as **space is limited** to 30 students. Thank you,  
*AllPrep Teachers*

## Greetings from AllPrep Early College!!!



The AllPrep Early Colleges are public charter schools that give high school students, grades 10 - 12, the opportunity to take classes at the community college and earn dual credit (high school and college) while they earn their high school diploma. The tuition and fees for those classes are paid for (up to \$900 per term). Additionally, \$500 is given in form of a stipend for textbooks annually. We have experienced incredible growth and are continuing to grow each and every term. Currently, our students attend campuses around the state of Oregon. These include: Portland, Mt. Hood, Clackamas, Blue Mountain, Central Oregon, Chemeketa, Lane, Umpqua and Linn Benton Community Colleges as well as Eastern Oregon University. Check us out on our website, learn about us and see what see if the early college program is right for you.

## Baker AllPrep Academy News . . .

Nate Williams has been appointed principal for Baker AllPrep Academy and Baker AllPrep Early College, effective January 1, 2010. He replaces Teresa Schneiderman, who continues as principal of Sisters AllPrep Academy, Sisters AllPrep Early College and SCAFA.

Nate, a former AllPrep teacher in Eastern Oregon, has been serving as the AllPrep Academies Assessment Coordinator.

Baker AllPrep Early College has been approved and will begin enrolling students for the winter quarter. Early college is primarily for high school juniors and seniors who want to take one or more college courses at local colleges to strengthen their academic portfolio. Students will get both high school and college credit for successfully completing approved courses.

Eastern Oregon University, Blue Mountain CC and Treasure Valley CC are some of the public schools offering online courses to Baker Early College students.

Scholarship opportunities require submission in early 2010. Two scholarship opportunities are available and should be considered by 2010 seniors: OTEC for students in La Grande, Burns and Baker and the Adler Foundation that was just approved for students in Baker County and the Powder Valley District.

Baker AllPrep Academy leases classrooms at the North Baker Campus. The classrooms will be used for support groups including the new math initiative, school meetings, special classes and individual student-faculty meetings.

New math initiative program to begin in Baker City in January. Math support classes will be held twice a week at the North Baker Campus, for AllPrep students who are not meeting grade level in math or

algebra and want some extra help.

The goal is to strengthen student math skills to both help in meeting the current "grade level" requirements and to be able to do higher level math as the student progresses through high school. Additional details will be available to you over the Winter break, including meeting dates.

Tyler Hankins will continue meeting with students in La Grande (library) and Baker (North Baker Campus) on Fridays during December. In January, once the math program is available, we will re-evaluate the Friday sessions.

Baker AllPrep Academy students are eligible to participate in extra curricular programs offered by the Baker School District. Because of the district's financial short-fall, some of the programs are now "pay to play" for all students.

We are also investigating AllPrep students using The Crossroads Art Center in Baker City for a wide range of art classes.

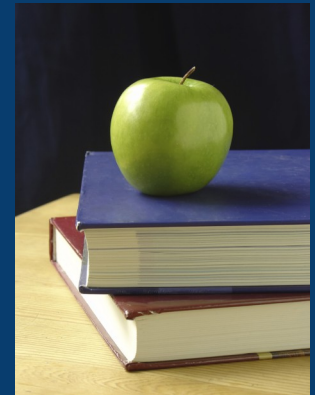
If you have an interest in these opportunities let your teacher know.

Other opportunities: AllPrep Academies throughout Oregon are putting together activities that are open to students in Eastern Oregon and will meet some part of course requirements. At this time, the trips include:

- A 10-day trip to Costa Rica this summer, visiting many of the "one-of-a-kind" sites throughout the country. (see the last page of this newsletter)
- A Spring visit to Ashland for the Shakespeare festival.

Your teacher has more information on how the trips meet curriculum requirements.

## New Course for 9-12 Grade Students!



Course:

**Write Now!**

Instructors:

**Kari Schulfer**

**Leslie-Anne DeLair**

Credit:

**.5 English CORE**

*Write Now!* is a 12-week course for high school students who want to improve their writing. We will meet once a week on WIMBA and coursework will be on the class website. Throughout the term, we will cover the writing process, various modes of writing (including business writing), editing, and publication. Students will explore writing through their own work, the work of their peers, and a variety of published authors. Space is limited. Stay tuned for registration information!

# Ballot Measures 66 and 67 and AllPrep Schools

This winter voters will have an important decision on their hands. Two tax measures will be up for decision on January 26, 2010: a personal income tax increase (Measure 66) and a corporate tax increase (Measure 67). Funds from these increases will be set aside for schools, healthcare, public safety, and other services. Voter registration deadline is January 5<sup>th</sup> and ballots will go out January 8<sup>th</sup>.

- Ballot Measure 66 would increase personal income tax by 1.8-2.0 percentage points for households over \$250,000 or \$125,000 single filers, eliminate taxes on the first \$2,400 unemployment benefits received until 2009, and provide an estimated \$472 million in funding for education and other services.
- Ballot Measure 67 would increase corporate tax based on corporations profits and revenues and provide an additional \$255 million in funding for education and other services.

The estimated impact if both measures are defeated for AllPrep Academies and Early Colleges is about \$350 per student or \$700,000 total in losses.

Additional information will be available in the voter's pamphlet.

## AllPrep student plans 'Cancer Free Christmas' as her senior project

**Kayla Lincoln**, a senior at **Estacada AllPrep Academy** and resident of Molalla, is using her senior project to raise support for a Beavercreek family facing cancer this holiday season.

"Due to mounting medical bills, the Gibson family is in great need of help and support from the community this holiday season," said Kayla Lincoln. "Sue's only request is to be able to provide each family member with a Christmas present. I would like to make sure that this Christmas will be one for them to remember."

Gibson was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 2000, but went into remission after treatments. She was diagnosed with a new breast cancer in 2008 and again entered remission, but this September doctors discovered that the cancer had spread throughout her body and gave her only six months to live, Lincoln said.

For her senior project, Lincoln is required to devote at least 40 hours to a project related to a career field she wishes to pursue. She hopes for a future career with the Department of Human Services and has already gained experience working as a babysitter for DHS and interning with the courts system as a counselor for young rape victims.

*"I would like to make sure that this Christmas will be one for them to remember."*

*-Kayla Lincoln*

The **Cancer Free Christmas** will be held on Sunday, December 20 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. and will include live performances from Sue's son, Joe Gibson, local band **Sawtell**, Molalla Community Choir and others. There will also be raffles, a bake sale, a special appearance from Santa and an information booth about **Relay for Life**. A \$3 donation is requested at the door. "All of [the money] is going to the Gibson family directly," Lincoln said.

So far, Lincoln has received sponsorship from Molalla Total Rentals and Blockbuster. She has also contributed about \$200 of her own money toward the event. She said it has been difficult getting sponsors due to the economy and she still welcomes donations. She is also looking for help with the bake sale. To offer assistance or for more information on the event, e-mail her at [cheer4u77@msn.com](mailto:cheer4u77@msn.com).

# Summer 2010—Study Abroad in Costa Rica!!!



Dear AllPrep Community Members,

You are invited to join AllPrep for our summer 2010 study abroad in Costa Rica. Costa Rica is a safe country with endless learning opportunities in the arts and sciences. We are partnering with EF Tours to ensure that both learning and safety are top priorities.

Enrollment has been extended through January 31st. Currently, fourteen participants are enrolled and there is room for more travelers. Teacher Jennifer DiMaggio will accompany me as a co-leader and chaperone for the entire tour.

The current fee for students is \$2,056 and is all-inclusive (airfare, hotels, meals, curriculum, guides and teachers, entrance fees, boat and bus transportation, etc.) The only things that are not included are the 2 meals during flight, tips, and spending money for souvenirs. Passports will also need to be purchased in advance. The adult fee is \$2,361 due to higher entrance and hotel fees. These prices are the lowest you will find for such a high quality study abroad.

Travel dates will be 8-11 days that fall between July 29 and August 16, 2010. I would like to provide you as much information as possible about this experience of a lifetime. You will find the links listed below very helpful.

By participating in this study abroad, students will earn 1.0 elective science credit with the bonus of Spanish conversation practice, immense learning, and rich life experience. EF Tours has a great reputation and has been used repeatedly with great success by several of my colleagues and students.

This opportunity is open to AllPrep & Early College middle and high school students (including this year's 5th graders), and any interested family members or friends over the age of 6 (children under the age of 13 should travel with a parent or guardian). It is possible for relatives or friends to depart from other locations than Portland.

Please contact me at either [jfullilove@allprep.us](mailto:jfullilove@allprep.us), or 503-867-0473 if you have any questions.

Fundraising will be organized by all involved parties; there will be numerous opportunities. I have Chinook Books available for those that would like to use them for fundraising. Other fundraising options will be presented as well.

To enroll, please click on the "pricing" link below. Your group leader is Jennifer Fullilove, and our tour number is 683241.

Muchas gracias, *Jennifer Fullilove*

The itinerary:

<http://www.eftours.com/educational-tours/PriceTours/TourDetail.aspx?TourCode=CRX%20&Year=2010&Product=ET&Tab=itin>

Pricing: [http://www.eftours.com/ForTeachers/PriceTours/PrintQuote.aspx?Quote\\_id=825048&Code=45a15ef263ed4c2c&QuoteType=TC](http://www.eftours.com/ForTeachers/PriceTours/PrintQuote.aspx?Quote_id=825048&Code=45a15ef263ed4c2c&QuoteType=TC)

Passport info (new): [http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport\\_1738.html](http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html)



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