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From your President:

I had the pleasure of listening to Omeica Hudson, 7th grade Social Studies teacher at CMS, speak at the board meeting in November and her words are still resonating with me today. If you have not had a chance to interact with Omeica you're missing out! She shared about her experience in Cyprus for the Fulbright-Hays Group study abroad project. The focus of her presentation is something that I think will resonate with us all: educators in the U.S. are so hyper focused on test scores and standards that we've forgotten to educate the whole child - doing those "other things" which help children see their potential, work with others, and think critically to make a difference in the world. We see numbers instead of needs, we teach from one textbook instead of utilizing multiple narratives, and we've dropped many subject areas (like social studies), to focus on reading, writing and math. When Omeica came back from her trip she made a decision to shift her focus in her classroom. She said "We have a set amount of time and if we base our decisions in intention rather than time, we are going to have a greater impact, which will naturally lead to higher achievement in the classroom." I have been thinking about this a lot since her presentation in November and every morning when I'm driving to work, I think about my intention and what I want to instill in my students. It's a pretty powerful thing to give yourself permission to think this way. I encourage you to start to think about your intentions and find ways to make it a reality in your classroom.

At the end of her presentation, many school board members were crying and she received a HUGE applause. I'm hopeful the district really took her message to heart and also begins to think of their intentions with our staff and students.

Thank you again for all you do for our students, community and staff.

~ Avery Fish, CEA President

Upcoming Events:

January 24:
School Board meeting
Meadows presents
District Office, 7:00 pm

February 13:
UniServ meeting
UniServ Office, 4:30 pm

February 22:
Rep Council meeting
UniServ Office, 4:00 pm





To the Point

Your Representatives:

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The Oregon Education Association supports a **YES** vote on Measure 101! Ballots in this special election are due January 23rd. As educators, we see every day how access to healthcare helps students succeed. Students who are sick are unable to focus and learn.

Measure 101 protects healthcare coverage for one in four Oregonians, including 400,000 kids. No matter where you live or work, or what your job is, you should be able to see a doctor or nurse and get medication when you're sick, and it shouldn't bankrupt you. Measure 101 holds down costs and is an important step to make basic healthcare affordable and accessible to every Oregonian.

BACKGROUND

During the 2017 Oregon legislative session, the Oregon Education Association and other stakeholders joined policy conversations to decide on the best path forward to prevent several hundred thousand Oregonians from losing Medicaid coverage and benefits. The Medicaid budget and financing package passed into law was a bipartisan compromise that is broadly supported by the entire health care sector.

WHAT IS MEASURE 101?

Measure 101 is a fee on hospitals and insurance companies to fund Medicaid, which provides healthcare coverage to 1 in 4 Oregonians.

The funding from 101:

- Ensures every child in Oregon has access to healthcare.
- Protects healthcare for working families, seniors and people with disabilities.
- Stabilizes healthcare costs and insurance premiums for people who buy their own insurance, saving the average person \$300 a year.

-Info from www.oregoned.org

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

Thursday, Feb. 1, marks the launch of the 2018 TELL Oregon Survey, inviting feedback on teaching and learning conditions from teachers and administrators at Oregon's schools.

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