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## Sen. Roblan brings Council on Educator Advancement sessions to the coast

Council seeks input on developing and supporting educators statewide

SALEM – Sen. Arnie Roblan (D-Coos Bay) is giving coastal communities an opportunity to weigh in on programs and initiatives to guide teacher development and support in public schools around the state.

"These regional meetings are an excellent opportunity for community members and education experts to provide input that can be used in our recommendations to Gov. Kate Brown," Roblan said. "We are bringing a statewide education policy advisory group to the coast so that folks in these communities can have a voice in the ways we improve our educational system for our kids."

Members of the Council on Educator Advancement will be hosting meetings in Tillamook and Lincoln City on July 14 to give community members a chance to provide input and ideas about how to support teacher development for the benefit of students around the state. Roblan is an appointed member of the state's Council on Educator Advancement – a work group assembled to advise Gov. Kate Brown on ways to develop and support education professionals around the state. He and other Council members will be in attendance at the pair of meetings, both scheduled on July 14 at the following times and locations:

- 10 a.m. to noon in Room 214/215 of Tillamook Bay Community College, 4301 Third St., in Tillamook; and
- 3 to 5 p.m. at Taft High School, 3780 SE Spyglass Ridge Dr., in Lincoln City.

The sessions are part of a series of regional conversations and opportunities to provide input that are scheduled around the state. The purpose of the Council on Educator Advancement is to make recommendations to Gov. Brown related to the following topics:

- Developing a coordinated system ensuring every student benefits from a caring, competent and culturally responsive educator in the classroom;
- More effectively and collaboratively leveraging state resources to support educators;
  and
- An effective governance model for all investments and supports to educators.

Recommendations are to be included in a report to the Governor on or before Sept. 1.

"The importance of providing resources in terms of training, development opportunities and investment to our educators can't be understated," Roblan said. "As a former high school principal I am looking forward to working with this group to create meaningful steps to help our educators effectively meet the needs of our students around the state."

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