



Oregon Youth Development Council

Duties and Responsibilities

The Youth Development Council (YDC) was established by House Bill 4165 in 2012 to assist the Oregon Education Investment Board in overseeing a unified system that provides services to school-age children through youth 20 years of age in a manner that supports academic success, reduces criminal involvement and is integrated, measurable and accountable.

The council consists of no fewer than 15 members who are appointed by the Governor. The membership of the council must satisfy federal requirements for membership of a state advisory committee on juvenile justice, and includes tribal representation.

The council prioritizes funding for prevention and intervention services related to gang violence and gang involvement; determines the means by which services to children and youth may be provided effectively and efficiently across multiple programs to improve the academic and social outcomes of children and youth; assesses state programs and services related to youth development and training, and identifies methods by which programs and services may be coordinated or consolidated.

Legislation also requires that the YDC establish common academic and social indicators to support attainment of goals established by the Oregon Education Investment Board; establish common program outcome measurements and coordinate data collection across multiple programs and services; ensure implementation of best practices that are evidence based, culturally, gender and age appropriate, address individual risk factors, build upon factors that increase the health and well being of children and youth, and include tribal best practices.



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Youth Development Council Areas of Work

Educational Supports/Developmental Assets

Prevention/Intervention

Employment/Internships/Career Development

State Agencies Serving Youth

Juvenile Justice

Research, Evaluation and Data