Oregon Department of Education Responses to 2015 Ways and Means Information Requests 3-11-15

From the March 9, 2015 meeting of Education Subcommittee:

1. How many children currently are enrolled in district-run preschool programs? Please provide a list of the school districts that have preschool programs. (Representative Smith Warner)

RESPONSE: Because these are voluntary programs that districts develop, the Department of Education has not traditionally collected enrollment or other information on district preschool programs. However, as part of its Fall 2014 Full Day Kindergarten Survey, the Department for the first time asked districts if they were running preschool programs. The following 57 school districts answered "yes" to that question:

Adel SD 21	Forest Grove SD 15	Monument SD 8	Salem-Keizer SD 24J
Alsea SD 7J	Gladstone SD 115	Neah-Kah-Nie SD 56	Scappoose SD 1J
Baker SD 5J	Glendale SD 77	North Marion SD 15	Sherwood SD 88J
Beaverton SD 48J	Hermiston SD 8	Oregon City SD 62	Sisters SD 6
Bethel SD 52	Huntington SD 16J	Paisley SD 11	Spray SD 1
Coquille SD 8	Jewell SD 8	Pendleton SD 16	St. Paul SD 45
Corbett SD 39	Junction City SD 69	Perrydale SD 21	Standfield SD 61
David Douglas SD 40	Klamath Falls City	Pine Eagle SD 61	Ukiah SD 80R
Dayton SD 8	Lake Oswego SD 7J	Pleasant Hill SD 1	Umatilla SD 6R
Dayville SD 16J	Lincoln County SD	Plush SD 18	Wallowa SD 12
Douglas County SD 4	Long Creek SD 17	Portland SD 1J	Warrenton-Hammond SD 30
Dufur SD 29	Lowell SD 71	Prairie City SD 4	Woodburn SD 103
Echo SD 5	McKenzie SD 68	Prospect SD 59	
Elgin SD 23	McMinnville SD 40	Reynolds SD 7	
Falls City SD 57	Medford SD 549C	Riverdale SD 51J	

2. How does the current funding for the early learning hubs compare to the budget for the former State Commission on Children and Families? (Representative Huffman)

RESPONSE: For 2013-15, the Early Learning Hubs were allocated \$4.3 million in coordination dollars. For 2011-13, the local county Commissions on Children and Families were allocated \$9.6 million in basic capacity funding, about \$5.3 million more than Hubs currently are receiving.

In addition, in 2011-13 the local commissions received \$1.5 million in Great Start funding (state General Fund) and \$1.9 million in federal Title IVB(2) Family Support funding. In 2013-15, the Hubs received \$513,000 in Great Start funding and \$1.8 million in federal Family Support funding, about \$1.1 million less than what the commissions received in 2011-13.