



January 30, 2021

Members of the House Early Childhood Committee:

On behalf of Oregon’s Early Learning Hubs, we are writing in support of both **HB 2053** and **HB 2054**.

HB2053 | The community plan referenced as part of this bill is a critical part of the Hub role as it relates to the function that Hubs have in coordinated enrollment of Preschool Promise, and the role the Hub system plays in developing coordinated and aligned early learning services. The language in the bill does not add additional burden, rather it clarifies the role of the community planning and intention.

HB 2054 | Kindergarten Readiness Partnership and Innovation Program has been a cornerstone of the Hub work in our communities over the last 3 biennia. The focus on kindergarten transition has been foundational to the early learning system work. This bill provides additional structure to assure that we are honing in on the most effective and best practices and engage with families in a meaningful way to support kindergarten readiness.

Having the funding flow through the Hub system provides for the Hubs to be able to continue to convene and align work around the region.

Additionally, the community planning work referenced in HB 2053 is a helpful tool to ensure that resources are meeting the greatest needs in the Hub regions.

We would be delighted to answer any questions the committee may have.

Sincerely,

Early Learning Hub Coalition

Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub	Early Learning Multnomah	Frontier Early Learning Hub	South Coast Regional Early Learning Hub
Clackamas Early Learning Hub	Early Learning Washington County	Lane Early Learning Alliance	South-Central Oregon Early Learning Hub
Early Learning Hub of Central Oregon	Eastern Oregon Community Based Services Hub	Marion & Polk Early Learning Hub	Southern Oregon Early Learning Services
Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties	Four Rivers Early Learning Hub	Northwest Early Learning Hub	Yamhill Early Learning Hub