

# Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub Newsletter



July 11, 2017

## Early Childhood Partnership Team Meetings (ECPT)

**Umatilla County**-Thursday, August 3 from 9-11 at InterMountain ESD.

**Union County**- Wednesday, July 12 from 1-3 at Cook Memorial Public Library in La Grande. [Union County ECPT Facebook Page](#).

**Morrow County**-Thursday, August 10 from 12-2 at the Port of Morrow Well Springs Room.

## Family Friendly Business

The Family Friendly Business Initiative, created by the Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub, has designated 53 businesses as Family Friendly in Morrow, Umatilla, and Union Counties. We would like to congratulate Boardman Foods, who was recently added to this list. If you are interested in having your local business designated as Family Friendly please contact Cade Burnette at [cburnette@umchs.org](mailto:cburnette@umchs.org).

## Early Learning Conference PreK-3 Oregon Educators Together: Learn, Inspire, Lead



**Dates:** November 16 and 17

**Location:** Portland, Oregon

\*For more information and registration visit;

<https://www.cosa.k12.or.us/events/2017-early-learning-conference-pre-k-3>

## BMCC Early Childhood Education Program Update

Blue Mountain Community College is happy to announce that you can earn your AAS degree and take all of your general education classes through our program, then complete your BS at Southern Oregon University by taking 60 more online credits. This is a great opportunity for our present and future early childhood employees. Please contact Dawn Kennison-Kerrigan for more information at [dkerrigan@bluecc.edu](mailto:dkerrigan@bluecc.edu).

## Ready 2 Learn



Ready 2 Learn is going through some changes. Due to budget cuts, The Oregon College Savings Plan (OCSP) will no longer be able to offer the monthly drawings for \$1,000 scholarships. The Ready 2

Learn committee is working to establish a suitable replacement benefit for Ready 2 Learn participants.

Children ages 0-6 who participate will still be eligible for the monthly prize pack drawings and will get to participate in the fun activities sponsored by Ready 2 Learn. Head to your local library to learn more about this exciting early childhood reading program.



## Kindergarten Jumpstart Update

The Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub will support school districts throughout the region in

providing a summer transition program to children who have had little or no prior preschool experience. The goal is to help children and families make a smooth transition into kindergarten. Data will be collected and reviewed to measure the success of this program.

<b>Morrow County</b>	<b>Elgin</b>
Sam Boardman Elementary	Stella Mayfield Elementary
7:45-12:45 August 1-15 Same as Migrant Summer School	7:45-12:45 August 1-15
<b>Athena/Weston</b>	<b>Umatilla</b>
Weston Middle School	McNary Heights Elementary
7:45-12:45 August 1-15	8:00-12:30 July 18-Aug. 4 Same as Migrant Summer School