


# Friday Update

A Peek at the Week



Prepared parents. Healthy families.

#4 3/31/17 A system of support for prenatal parents & families with children, age 0-5

Progress	Contact Information
<p><b>General Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Pollywog Weekly Updates are archived at: <a href="http://lblearlylearninghub.org/partner-materials/">http://lblearlylearninghub.org/partner-materials/</a></li><li>A draft of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been completed and will be reviewed at the Albany/Linn County Partner Meeting, Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.</li></ul>	<p>Cathy Corkery Pollywog Project Specialist 541-917-4883 <a href="mailto:corkerc@linnbenton.edu">corkerc@linnbenton.edu</a> <a href="mailto:cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org">cathy.corkery@pollywogfamily.org</a> <a href="https://pollywogfamily.org/">https://pollywogfamily.org/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PollywogFamily/">https://www.facebook.com/PollywogFamily/</a></p>
<p><b>Pollywog Questions &amp; Answers (Q&amp;A)</b></p> <p><b>Q:</b> Will the Parent Success Network (PSN) website be replaced by the Pollywog website? <b>A:</b> No, the Pollywog website provides information and resources that is a subset of the PSN; focusing on prenatal parents and families with children, age 0-5.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> On Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Pollywog staff attended the PSN meeting to share the Pollywog website and gather feedback around useability, complementary links and crossovers with the Parent Success Network website.</p> <p><b>Next steps:</b> A focus group will gather to take a closer look at the two websites and Facebooks to increase coordination and user functionality.</p>	<p><b>Important Dates</b></p> <p><b>Albany/Linn County Partner Meeting</b> Date- Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Time- 1:00 pm-2:30 pm Location-Luckiamute Building, LM-115 6500 Pacific Blvd, SW Albany, OR Conference call option- (800) 832-0736 Meeting Room- 3268478</p>
<p><b>Q:</b> How can Pollywog be more transparent with parents? <b>A:</b> The Pollywog staff connected with the Early Learning HUB Parent Engagement Coordinator to help plan and schedule parent focus groups to gather input around privacy concerns, website useability and general awareness/understanding of the project.</p> <p><b>Action/Next Steps:</b> Determine potential parenting classes and locations to host 30 minute parent focus group sessions.</p>	<p><b>Snapshot of the Week</b></p>  A photograph showing four children from behind, walking on a paved sidewalk. They are holding hands in a line. From left to right: a boy in a green t-shirt and dark pants, a girl in a pink top and a purple patterned skirt, a girl in a yellow and pink striped shirt and blue shorts, and a girl in a white long-sleeved shirt and grey pants. They are walking away from the camera towards a grassy area and a trash can in the background.

## *Requests*

Do you have a prenatal or parenting education class to add to the website? Fill out this survey- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Pollywog>

## *Stories from the Field*

We are pleased to announce that the Pollywog Facebook page has been launched, <https://www.facebook.com/PollywogFamily/>, and we have the new Pollywog email addresses for Pollywog staff & general inquiries:

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