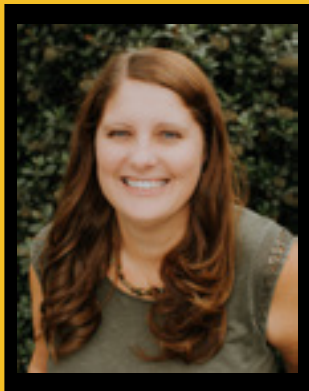


# Monthly Director's Report

## September 2018



It's about time for sweater weather! As we move forward into the fall season, Pollywog is also moving into Lebanon and has begun working with Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital. So much is happening with Pollywog and our partners lately.

Pollywog staff held a Community Partner meeting at Lebanon Hospital and invited potential community partners from Sweet Home and Lebanon, including a list of agencies that the MCC wanted us to partner with. We also signed MOUs with the Community Services Consortium, the Department of Human Services, Home Visiting Nurses and WIC at Linn County Public Health, as well as the Community Doula Program. We have trained the Maternity Care Coordinator (MCC) at Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital, and we plan to train DHS and refresh with Old Mill Center very soon.

We greatly appreciate the support and enthusiasm from our Pollywog partners.

**Thank you for all of your continued good work,  
Kristi Collins, EL Hub Director**

# Equity Trainings

On August 2, 2018, Javier Cervantes presented on Service and Education equity. 245 people attended, including ELD contractors, Board members, Hub subcontractors, and our community partners.



Since the food trucks we invited to provide lunch were unavailable because of the Oregon Jamboree, the two trainings were broken up by an hour and a half lunch in order to allow participants enough time to enjoy a meal. Participants earned eight hours of training time in addition to Oregon Registry Online credit upon registration.

Hub staff sent out a survey asking participants for feedback, which helps us plan future conferences.

# ELD Site Visit & Engagement Session

The Hub hosted a luncheon with Community partners, Board Members, Hub staff and ELD representatives on August 2nd. ELD staff facilitated the meeting and discussed a new strategic plan for 2019-2024.

The Council will look at themes in aggregate across all Hub Governance engagements.

The Council will consider all information received when drafting strategies and activities. The Council will share a draft version with the Hub Governance boards for review before adopting the plan.

# Presentation at the Coastal Caucus

Kristi presented to the Joint Committee on Student Success Legislative Workgroup at the Coastal Caucus alongside the Early Learning Systems Director, Miriam Calderon, and The Early Learning Coordinator for Lincoln County School District, Lauren Sigman.

Miriam set the stage by sharing the big picture perspective from a statewide, systems-level lens. Kristi added context from the regional Early Learning Hub perspective. Lauren drove it home with the local perspective.

The content was well received and really highlighted the need for greater investments in Early Learning.

# Early Learning Hub State Collaborative

The LBL Early Learning Hub staff was excited to attend the Early Learning Hub State Collaborative alongside Oregon CCR&Rs.

Miriam Calderon welcomed the group before hubs and CCR&RS discussed the role of hubs, discussed the challenges and benefits of preschool expansion, engaged in a collaborative discussion around parent engagement, enjoyed a panel on how to utilize data to drive equity, and networked with partners.



# Hub Work Group Updates:



**WORK GROUP DAY:** The Hub Work Group Day met on Thursday, August 9, 2018. We discussed completed and ongoing work in each work group. Our next Hub Work Group day is scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 2018.



**P-3 ALIGNMENT WORK GROUP:** The P-3 Alignment Work Group met on Friday, June 8, 2018. We discussed Preschool Promise, KPI projects, and State updates, including ELC strategic planning, the community engagement session, and the Hub site visit. Our next meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 14, 2018.



**DATA & EVALUATION WORK GROUP:** The Data & Evaluation Work Group met on Monday, September 10, 2018. We discussed reviewed and analyzed data for our regional data book. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 24, 2018. For the next several months, this work group is focusing on completing the regional data book.



**HEALTH CARE INTEGRATION WORK GROUP:** The Health Care Integration Work Group met on Wednesday, June 27, 2018. We discussed strategies to improve immunization rates, ideas for immunization education, and the OPIP medical decision tree and parent letter. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26, 2018.



**EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATING COUNCIL:** The Early Childhood Coordinating Council met on Friday, June 15, 2018. We discussed sub-committee updates, the regional equity training, OCCC ECE certification, and ELD/ELC updates. The ECCC meeting for September is cancelled.



**PARENT ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE:** The next Parent Engagement Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at Old Mill Center in Corvallis.

## Early Learning Hub Mission and Vision Statements:

**Mission:** The Early Learning Hub of Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties brings partners together to increase family stability, improve kindergarten readiness, and ensure service coordination that is equitable and culturally and linguistically competent.

**Vision:** Our communities provide an easily accessible and collaborative system of support and care for families that help children to grow up safe, nurtured, healthy, and ready for school and life.