

Looking for a Second Pollywog Blogger

Pollywog is seeking parenting bloggers to write original posts for our Parent Voice section. Parent Voice content must be thought-provoking and engaging to parents and families with children ages 0-5 years old. We expect the blogger to be able to generate their own topics for blogs as well as accept direction regarding content. Posts can be about the blogger's personal parenting experiences and opinions, and can also include researched information where appropriate.

As the Parent Voice blogger, you will submit posts of 800-1000 words (approximately) and accompanying photos every two weeks. The Parent Voice blogger should have excellent writing skills and be able to write in a way that encourages Pollywog

families to continue the conversation either online or elsewhere. Photography skills are also important so that posts are visually interesting. We may ask you to sign up for parenting classes and/or workshops so that you can write about them in your posts. And we also expect you to be living and raising children in Linn, Benton, or Lincoln Counties and be aware of community events and parenting resources.



What's Happening

- ✓ The next Pollywog Partner Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 10, from 9-10:30am. This will be a remote meeting, using the Zoom platform. Meeting log-in information will be available on the Early Learning Hub website, and we will also be sending out a Google meeting invitation.
- ✓ Currently there are 1,659 individuals in the Pollywog database, as well as 19 prenatal and 36 parenting education classes, 6 courses taught in Spanish, and 178 referrals have been sent through Pollywog. All prenatal and parenting education classes are still being held remotely, through at least Summer term.

This position is as an "independent contractor" and not an employee of Linn-Benton Community College or the Parenting Education Department. We pay \$50/per blog, and will set-up a bi-weekly schedule of when the blogs and photos need to be submitted for posting to the Pollywog website. We are looking for someone to start immediately.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit a cover letter, resume, and a blog sample to leanne.trask@linnbenton.edu.

Family Connects Visits Begin in Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties

As Early Adopters, we have been waiting for this moment for nearly a year, and it is finally here!! On May 1, Family Connects Home Visiting Nurses will officially begin making home visits to families with newborn babies in our region.

If you have clients who are expecting, or wish to know more about this free, universally offered service, please contact Pollywog at (541) 917-4884 or enroll on our website at www.pollywogfamily.org for more information and assistance.

New Pollywog Assistant

We are pleased to announce that we have a new Pollywog Assistant! Please welcome Samantha "Sam" Rounsavell. Sam has been a long-time employee of the LBL-ESD, and we are excited to have her working with us. Please welcome her to our community!



Pollywog Partner Update

Below is a list of all of the Pollywog Partners, by county, who are trained and ready to receive referrals through the Pollywog database:

Linn County:

Linn County Home Visiting Nurses
Kidco Head Start
Samaritan Albany General Hospital
Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital
Obria Medical Clinic
Family Tree Relief Nursery
DHS (Albany & Lebanon) - no incoming referrals
Family Connections
WIC
Old Mill Center / Healthy Families

Benton County:

Old Mill Center / Healthy Families
Old Mill Center / Preschool & Counseling
Good Samaritan Regional Medical Ctr.
DHS (Corvallis) - no incoming referrals
Community Doulas
Benton County Health Department

Lincoln County:

Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital
Samaritan Health Center - Newport
The Olalla Center
Lincoln County Home Visiting Nurses
DHS (Newport) - no incoming referrals
CSC (Newport)

More will be coming soon!

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