

January 2022 BOE President's Report

Diversity, Cultural Awareness, Identity Days



January:

- World Religion Day (Jan. 16) all items displayed are related to religions around the world.
- International Holocaust Remembrance Day (Jan. 27) all items are related to either the Holocaust itself or to Jewish people in Europe during WWII.

February: Black History Month

Core Themes Report to the Board by VP Lara will be delayed (lag in reporting system)

Fiscal, Budget, Tuition & Fees

We are beginning the budget season again.

- Expect a tuition & general fees (Board Policy 6301) recommendation in February, along with a review of the annual budget calendar.
- The past year (20-21) Audit is delayed by our auditors, report to Board now anticipated for March (we hope).
- As an independently accredited college, our budget must accommodate the inflow and outflow of student financial aid. Process for this clarified through the auditing process. We need to make this change for the current year (21-22) via adopting a supplemental budget. This requires the convening of the Budget Committee, and we recommend we do this to coincide with the convening of the 22-23 Budget Committee.

Legislative Short Session Feb 1

Even # years, max 35 days

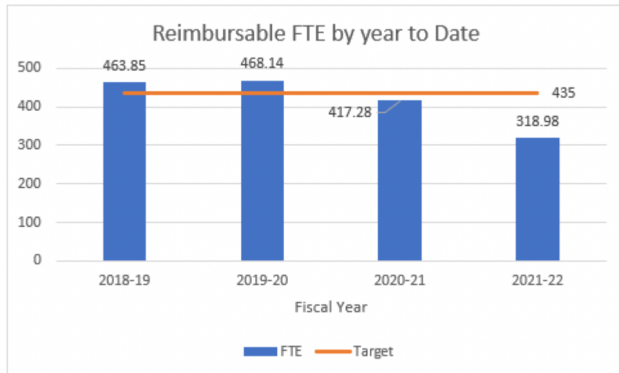
Jan 25, Tuesday Leg calls are resuming, 4 to 5 PM. Open to all Board members, invites go to our OCCA reps (Rich & I). Let Kathy know if you want the access info.

Enrollment Update

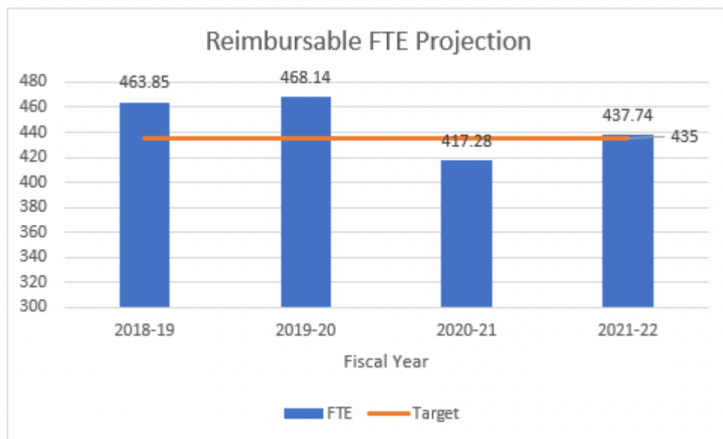
Enrollment continues a slow but steady recovery.

We have now recovered approximately 30 FTE year to date over this time last year. Much of our recovery & growth has been in CTE, for example, we have a full welding class. 21 continuing students and 11 new students (ages range from 17 to 62).

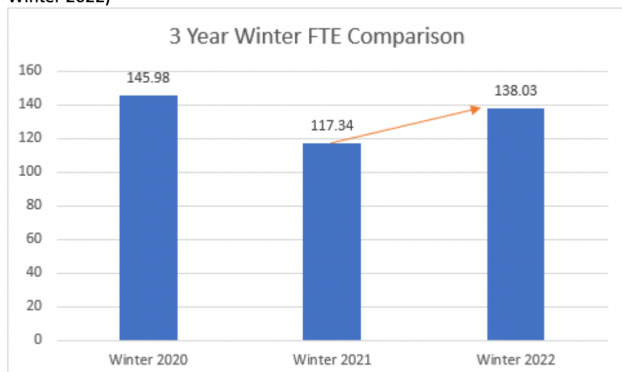
This is the Historical FTE over the last 4 years. The current year does not include Spring. This year's budget was built around a projection of 435 reimbursable FTE



Assuming that the coming Spring generates at least as much FTE as last Spring, we are on target to finish the year at 437.74



However, given the FTE trends for each term of the current year (which includes the Delta and Omicron variants) compared to last year, we expect Spring 2022 to exceed Spring 2021. This example is Winter to Winter, where we are up 20 FTE over this time last year (there is some variation in when FTE is recorded, Winter 2021 ended at 127 reimbursable FTE. Not all FTE is yet in Winter 2022)



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Oregon Coast Community College now has an updated computer classroom for online learning, thanks to a donation from the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contributions Fund, and the work of Spencer Smith (IT Director) who made the grant application. The News Times press release was written by our new staff member, Julia Ryan, who will provide support to Marketing and the Foundation. Also, this week, the News Times published our Honor Roll.

Community Webinars

OCCC Community Education is supporting the Lincoln City Audubon Society's webinar series with two offerings this month, one on the state of Oregon's Kelp forests and another on the groundbreaking new Private Forest Accord, a new management framework for privately held forestlands representing unprecedented agreements between landowners and environmental groups. All told, strong interest in the Community Education offerings to return to classes this term, with more than 275 seats already sold for the winter term.

Our Office of Civil Rights (OCR) review finally closed

Dear President Ryslinge,

Please find attached a letter notifying you that Oregon Coast Community College has completed the corrective actions from the June 2018 civil rights visit. We wish to extend our thanks to your college for the diligent efforts you have made to improve access to quality education to all of your students. We particularly want to extend accolades to Andres Oroz, who was a pleasure to work with and has been incredibly responsive throughout this process.

Sincerely,



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This process followed on the June 2018 regular civil rights visit, so this has been an almost 4-year process. We received the first follow up OCR report and formulated our compliance plan in 2019. The OCR went on hiatus for much of the pandemic. It is a great relief to have this work completed, and we thank VP Student Services, Dr. Andres Oroz for bringing us to closure.

Website Annual Stats

Overall, OCCC's website traffic grew (albeit modestly) from 2020 to 2021, from 69,723 to **70,524** total visitors.

Omicron Surge & Safety Standards

December and January turned out to be quite challenging due to a surge in cases from the Omicron variant. Across the Oregon community colleges, there has been a significant increase in cases and exposures, and OCCC is no exception. To manage impact and risk, we made a temporary move of most classes and student services to on-line for a two-week period.

Additionally for several months there has been uncertainty as to the first the federal requirements regarding employer vaccine or test mandate and then the Supreme Court challenge to the federal mandate. Whatever one's perspective on a mandate, we have known that the implementation of one would be very challenging for a small college.

Last week's ruling struck down the federal mandate, and late yesterday Oregon OSHA (which guides our practices & protocols) made the following statement:

On Jan. 13, 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court blocked enforcement of federal OSHA's Vaccination and Testing Emergency Temporary Standard. Oregon OSHA will continue to monitor federal OSHA activities and respond as needed. Considering the Supreme Court decision, however, Oregon OSHA will not move forward with adopting the same or similar standard in Oregon.

Oregon OSHA maintains a COVID-19 rule that requires employers to implement protections for workers. Those protections include infection control planning, exposure risk assessments, sanitation, and notification. Those measures also require employers to follow the Oregon Health Authority's requirement to use facial coverings indoors.