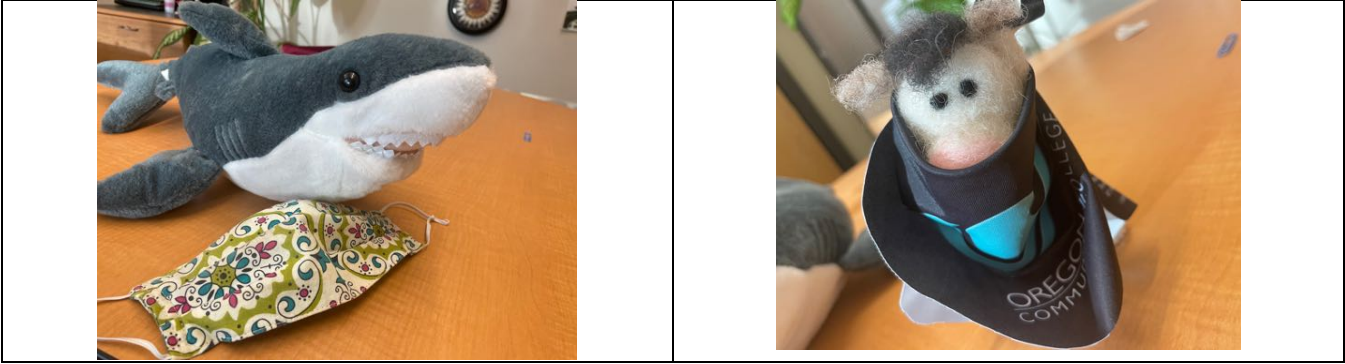


President's CoCo Update
March 11, 2022



Face-Covering Transitions: Shift from all-college to site specific and individual preference

- Face coverings will continue to be required in all classes and labs when for-credit instruction occurs from March 12 to March 26, 2022.
- Nursing and allied health programs will follow industry-sector health care masking protocols until further notice.
- Face coverings will be optional in all other spaces.
- The college will continue to encourage and support the use of face coverings by anyone who chooses to wear them.

Pearls of Wisdom 2022 (IV)

Raised \$44,000+ (best year yet) for student scholarships and program supports.
College staff and community members volunteered their time to make this happen.



Integrated Comprehensive Planning

Strategic Planning Process

The individual comment period for the employee internal SWOT analysis (Strength, Weakness, Opportunity, and Threat) closed on March 4. The refined SWOT analysis will be presented at the April College Council meeting (and shared the week prior to give an opportunity for review). Meanwhile, the collection of industry input is under way, and staff at EDALC (Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County) are providing updates to our Environmental scan.

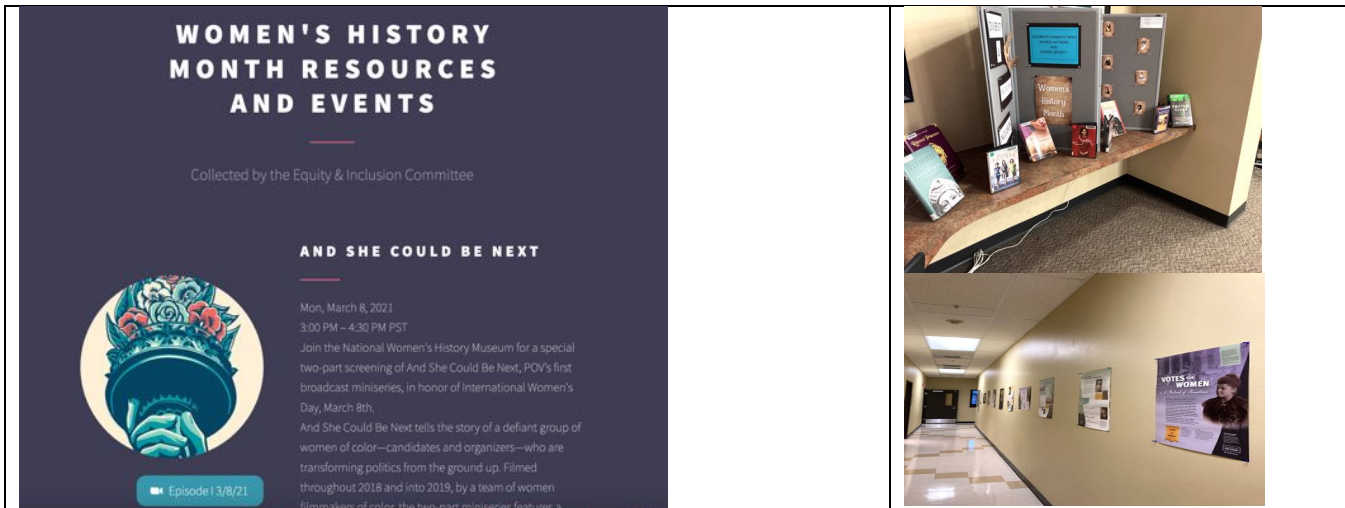
SPAR: Connecting Program and Service Area Reviews to Budget

SPAR is an acronym for “Service and Program Area Review,” which is how OCCC is systematizing the connection of the assessment of outcomes with the allocation of resources. This process is expected from all accredited higher ed institutions. A college asks itself, “what are we trying to do?” (mission) “How are we doing?” (assessment) and “Where do limited resources need to be directed to improve outcomes?” Our SPAR plan was developed as part of our successfully earning independent accreditation, and despite two years of pandemic we are making progress towards having the SPAR process happen annually throughout OCCC. This year, SPAREs (the shorter annual report) was completed by many of the administrative and student support areas, as well as many of the instructional programs. The SPAREs conclude with a “resource needs” section, which are now inputs to the 2022-2023 budget development cycle.

Legislative Session

The 2022 Oregon Legislative Session has come to an end. Oregon Community Colleges (including OCCC) had three legislative priorities, two were successfully reached: Future Ready Oregon was funded (this is a very big deal for CTE at community colleges) and important adjustments were made to Oregon Promise (“free community college” for high school graduates). Our third priority, assistance with Cybersecurity for Community Colleges was not funded, but did generate legislative awareness and interest in the issue and we will bring this topic back in the next session in 2023. Oregon Community College Association each year puts out a comprehensive end of session report, available [here](#). This is always a great resource to see what happened with individual bills and funding actions, please check it out as there is impact to your professional and often personal lives.

March is Women’s History Month



With fondness and hope for 2022 and beyond,

Birgitte

Oregon Coast Community College acknowledges that we reside within the ancestral homelands of the Yaquina (Yaqo'n) and Alsea (Wusi'n) Tribes. Today, those tribal descendants are represented by The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. We are honored for the opportunity to teach, learn, and work on their ancestral lands. We also recognize the ongoing contributions they make to the community, Oregon Coast Community College, and the world.