



## First Edition!

Welcome to the first COE newsletter, launched to engage our college community! Look for it twice a term. Send your COE stories to Media Relations Specialist Jillian Daley at [jillian@pdx.edu](mailto:jillian@pdx.edu).



## A Message from Dean Marvin Lynn

### A look at what's happening at PSU's College of Education

The PSU College of Education (COE) proudly practices a commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusivity. That long-standing tradition has been an integral reason for our recent wave of honors and publicity.

A COE study that delved into the underrepresentation of minorities in the sciences was featured in an international journal; a COE alumnus has earned a statewide honor in part for his inclusive practices; and two national organizations have lauded the COE. One of the two national organizations, Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, recognized the COE for a program that trains special education teachers. I've also been afforded the honor of participating in the inaugural Holocaust Mission for Deans of Education and Law to enrich everyone's understanding of fighting oppression in the COE.

Truly, we at the COE foster a culture of equity, diversity, and inclusivity, and we are being celebrated for it. Let us maintain this positive path, enlightening ourselves and the students who will carry on our tradition ensuring a welcoming and accepting community for everyone in the COE.



### Greg Harris: Oregon Middle School Principal of the Year

For most people, the phrase is "lead, follow, or get out of the way." But Portland State University College of Education (COE) alumnus Greg Harris sees a different option: all of the above.

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### College of Education Dean Joins Holocaust Mission in Poland

On a recent Sunday morning during a trip through Poland, Marvin Lynn thought he was approaching a monument to those slain in the Holocaust. But as the Portland State University College of Education (COE) dean drew closer, he soon realized what he was seeing. ...

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### COE professors published in international journal

Minority students are underrepresented in the sciences. But participation in a learning garden can help with that, a recent PSU studies shows.

The way it works is that a garden engages and motivates students with hands-on projects. Students can study growth cycles in real time, learn what plants need to flourish, and determine the differences in plants by touching and seeing them in person.

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### The COE's Javier Casado Pérez Honored Thursday at Diversity Awards Event

An assistant professor in Counselor Education in the College of Education (COE) was lauded Thursday afternoon at a ceremony celebrating the 15th Annual President's Diversity Awards that honor university-wide contributions and achievements to diversity, equity and inclusion. Prof. Javier Casado Pérez received a

Distinguished Faculty Award during the event, who said he was delighted by the surprise, not even realizing he'd been nominated. [Read more](#)

## In Other News

### Introducing: Pat Burk's Corner

Prof. Burk will offer periodic policy updates on the [COE Blog](#).

### Teacher Education Advocacy Group Honors College of Education

The College of Education's Secondary Dual Educator Program was [one of two innovative educator preparation programs](#) from across the United States featured in the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education's (AACTE) [Research to Practice Spotlight](#) this year.

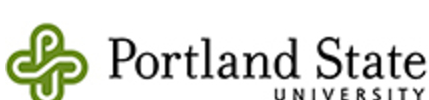
### Commencement!

The College of Education commencement will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, June 14 in the Viking Pavilion at the Peter W. Stott Center, 930 SW Hall Street, Portland, OR 97201. Grads are to arrive at 2 p.m. For more details, visit the [COE Commencement site](#).

### Donate to the College of Education Student Emergency Fund

Help keep PSU students in school! The College of Education (COE) Student Emergency Fund provides extra financial assistance to currently enrolled COE students who are experiencing unanticipated, temporary financial hardships resulting from emergency or crisis situations. We need your help to [support this fund!](#)

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