



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 2/16/12
 Agenda Item #: R.5
 Est. Start Time: 10:05 am
 Date Submitted: 2/8/12

Agenda Title: **Informational Board Briefing on Roosevelt High School's College & Career Transition Center**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: February 16, 2012 **Time Needed:** 30 minutes
Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** District 2
Contact(s): Althea Gregory
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Angela Nusom, College & Career Transition Manager, and other invited guests

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

None.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The mission of the College & Career Transition Center is that all Roosevelt High School graduates have the tools to plan for and take advantage of a variety of educational options and career choices after high school. Roosevelt High School is building a culture at the school that acknowledges, but does not accept, that students of color and those in poverty are less likely to go to college than their peers. As part of this effort, staff members are helping students see that access to higher education is part of the civil rights struggle. In addition to the ongoing work at the Center, three activities in 2012 build on the civil rights theme: The Freedom Riders & Fighters Exhibit, a day of service on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, and the spring break tour of historically black colleges and universities.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

The relevant policy issues include youth, education, and community engagement.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Local colleges are partnering with the College & Career Transition Center, including University of Portland, Portland Community College, Western Oregon University, Lewis & Clark College, and Portland State University. Members of the community attended and sponsored The Freedom Riders & Fighters Exhibit in January 2011; hundreds of students from Oregon colleges and universities spent January 17th in a day of service at Roosevelt High School; and local community leaders and organizations are actively engaged in supporting the Roosevelt students. Roosevelt is the recipient of \$7.7 million in federal School Improvement Grants, awarded by the Oregon Department of Education and funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

Required Signature

**Elected Official
or Department/
Agency Director:**



Date: 2/8/2012
