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## Redmond School District Report Cards Released by Oregon Department of Education

Redmond, Ore –The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) has released the school and district report cards for Redmond School District with data from the 2012-2013 school year.

ODE reports that Oregon first released <u>school and district report cards</u> in 2000. Report cards provide two overall school ratings. One rating compares the school to all others in the state. The other rating compares the school to other schools with similar student demographics.

According to ODE, the ratings are based on the new accountability system that Oregon developed as part of the federal flexibility waiver. The new system has a greater focus on student learning and growth, using multiple measures to rate schools. The rating that compares a school to other schools with similar student demographics provides parents and community members with another perspective on achievement at the school. The rating is based on a comparison that takes into account the school's percentage of poverty, mobility, students of color, and English learners.

"The new report card allows our parents and community to clearly understand and identify our successes as well as areas for improvement," shared Mike McIntosh, Superintendent. "It is a tool to help us understand the growth happening in our schools and to keep us accountable to both state and district goals."

The report cards for each school in the district are available on the district website at www.redmond.k12.or.us. Individual school report card are also available on each school's website.

For questions, please contact Kelly Richard, District Communications Coordinator at 541-923-8233.

## **About Redmond School District**

Located in Redmond, Ore, the Redmond School District serves more than 7,000 students from Redmond, Alfalfa, Crooked River Ranch, Eagle Crest, Terrebonne and Tumalo. The district currently operates five K-5 elementary schools, two K-8 community schools, two middle schools, two comprehensive high schools, one charter school, one educational center and a virtual online school program. Its mission is to ensure rigorous and relevant instruction which leads to mastery and the development of productive citizens. Learn more about Redmond School District online at www.redmond.k12.or.us.

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