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**581-022-2130 Community Informed Assessment Process at Kindergarten**

(1)(a) The Department of Education shall implement an assessment process at the kindergarten level as part of the statewide assessment system implemented pursuant to ORS 329.485. The assessment process shall allow for information collection that will inform state level decisions about Oregon’s early education and child care programs, policies and practices.

(b) By the 2025-26 school year, all school districts shall support families and students in participating in the assessment process for all students who are enrolled in kindergarten.(2) The Department shall work jointly with the Department of Early Learning and Care and in partnership with Oregon community members to develop an anti-racist assessment process.The assessment process shall collect evidence in areas determined to be important to Oregon families and educators to inform the Early Childhood Education and Care Sector. The process will be appropriate for all children including children experiencing disabilities and multilingual learners.

(3) The Department shall work with the Oregon Longitudinal Data Collaborative to include the results of the assessment process in the statewide longitudinal data system, as applicable.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 326.051 & 329.485

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 329.485 & 2013 OL Ch. 37 & Sec. 14 (Enrolled HB 4165)