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Dear Prospective or Current Foster/Adoptive Parent,

Thank you so much for your interest or current involvement in changing the lives of Oregon foster children! Below you will see the 2015 schedule for Foundations Training Classes for Columbia, Clatsop and Tillamook Counties. If you are interested in learning about foster care or adoption through the Oregon Department of Human Services Child Welfare program, this is the first step! After you have taken all of your classes, you will be given an application and explained the rest of the process.

If you are currently providing foster care to a child and have not completed this training, please do so ASAP, as it is required to continue doing foster care. Foundations classes should be completed within the first year of being certified. If this schedule below does not work for you, we will be sending out the letter with the training schedule for 2016 in December, 2015. Please speak with your certifier if you cannot complete Foundations within a year. The total training hours is 24 hours and counts toward the required training hours to maintain your foster care certificate.

You may attend Foundations in any County, but must complete all classes. If you miss one, you can take a class in a different county or work with your certifier to make a plan to gain the content from the course. To get information for training in other counties than the ones listed, please contact Brittany Stout at (503) 366-8330 or brittany.stout@state.or.us

Foundations is a series of 8 Sessions and **you must complete Session 1 before continuing on to the other sessions.** Session 1 provides an overview to Child Welfare and will help you with the content in the rest of the sessions. You may take the rest of the sessions in any order.

Columbia County

Winter classes for Columbia County will take place over two weekends in January at the St. Helens Child Welfare Office located at 500 N Highway 30, Conference Room A (on the side of the building), St. Helens, OR 97051. For questions or to RSVP for classes please call Brittany Stout at (503) 366-8330 or brittany.stout@state.or.us.

Session 1- January 9: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Sessions 2-4- January 10: 8:30am-5:30pm with a lunch break from 12:00-1:00

Session 5- January 16: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Sessions 6-8 – January 17: 8:30am-5:30pm with a lunch break from 12:00-1:00

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Summer classes for Columbia County will take place over two weekends in June at the St. Helens Child Welfare Office located at 500 N Highway 30, Conference Room A (on the side of the building), St. Helens, OR 97051. For questions or to RSVP for classes please call Brittany Stout at (503) 366-8330 or brittany.stout@state.or.us.

Session 1- June 12: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 2-4- June 13: 8:30am-5:30pm with a lunch break from 12:00-1:00
Session 5- June 16: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 6-8- June 20: 8:30am-5:30pm with a lunch break from 12:00-1:00

Columbia County will be offering two options to complete the 8 Sessions in the Fall. You only need to come to one class per session. You may alternate between morning and evening classes. Classes will be held at the St. Helens Child Welfare Office located at 500 N Highway 30, Conference Room A (on the side of the building), St. Helens, OR 97051. For questions or to RSVP for classes please call Brittany Stout at (503) 366-8330 or brittany.stout@state.or.us.

Session 1-	October 1: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	October 2: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 2-	October 8: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	October 9: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 3-	October 15: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	October 16: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 4-	October 22: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	October 23: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 5-	October 29: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	October 30: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 6-	November 5: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	November 6: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 7-	November 12: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	November 13: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 8-	November 19: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	November 20: 9:00am-12:00pm

Tillamook County

Tillamook County will be offering two options to complete the 8 Sessions in the Spring You only need to come to one class per session. You may alternate between morning and evening classes. Classes will be held at the Tillamook Child Welfare Office located at 4670 3rd Street, Tillamook, OR 97141. For questions or to RSVP please contact Sandra Koops at (503) 842-5571 ext. 306 or sandra.d.koops@state.or.us.

Session 1-	March 18: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	March 19: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 2-	March 25: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	March 25: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 3-	April 1: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	April 2, 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 4-	April 8: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	April 9: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 5-	April 15: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	April 16: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 6-	April 22: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	April 23: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 7-	April 29 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	April 30: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 8-	May 6: 6:00pm-9:00pm	OR	May 7: 9:00am-12:00pm

Fall classes for Tillamook County will take place over two weekends in September at the Tillamook Child Welfare Office located at 4670 3rd Street, Tillamook, OR 97141. For questions or to RSVP please contact Sandra Koops at (503) 842-5571 ext. 306 or sandra.d.koops@state.or.us.

Session 1- September 18: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 2-4- September 19: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00
Session 5- September 25, 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 6-8- September 26, 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00

Clatsop County

Spring classes for Clatsop County will take place over two weekends in May at the Astoria Child Welfare Office located at 450 Marine Dr., Astoria, OR 97103. The door on the side of the building will be labeled with a sign for training. For questions or to RSVP please contact Suzanna Vermeul-Wilson at (503) 325-9179 ext. 328 or suzanna.vermeul-wilson@state.or.us.

Session 1- May 8: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 2-4- May 9: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00
Session 5- May 15: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 6-8- May 16: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00

Summer classes for Clatsop County will take place over two weekends in August at the Astoria Child Welfare Office located at 450 Marine Dr., Astoria, OR 97103. The door on the side of the building will be labeled with a sign for training. For questions or to RSVP please contact Suzanna Vermeul-Wilson at (503) 325-9179 ext. 328 or suzanna.vermeul-wilson@state.or.us.

Session 1- August 14: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 2-4: August 15: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00
Session 5- August 21: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 6-8- August 22: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00

Winter classes for Clatsop County will take place over two weekends in December at the Astoria Child Welfare Office located at 450 Marine Dr., Astoria, OR 97103. The door on the side of the building will be labeled with a sign for training. For questions or to RSVP please contact Suzanna Vermeul-Wilson at (503) 325-9179 ext. 328 or suzanna.vermeul-wilson@state.or.us.

Session 1- December 4: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 2-4- December 5: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00
Session 5- December 11: 6:00pm-9:00pm
Sessions 6-8- December 12: 8:30am-5:30pm with lunch 12:00-1:00

Thank you so much for your care and interest in helping these amazing children! If you have any additional questions feel free to contact Brittany Stout at (503) 366-8330 or brittany.stout@state.or.us.

Best Regards,

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