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Media Release

Hillsboro School District Becomes First in Oregon Recommended for Systems Accreditation

Accreditation by AdvancED provides nationwide recognition of a quality school system

February 10, 2016, Hillsboro, OR – Today, Superintendent Mike Scott announced that Hillsboro School District was recommended for AdvancED School System Accreditation from the AdvancED Accreditation Commission, the national commission that confers the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC) accreditation seal. This means that upon approval by the Commission, the system and all of its schools will be accredited, providing Hillsboro School District recognition across the nation as a quality school system.

The accreditation process involves three ongoing components: 1) meeting high quality standards; 2) implementing a continuous process of improvement; and 3) engaging in quality assurance through internal and external review. The systems' accreditation is for a five-year term with regular monitoring of progress and reporting occurring during the term.

“School System Accreditation as conferred by the AdvancED Accreditation Commission provides Hillsboro School District a nationally-recognized mark of quality for our system and all the schools within our system,” shared Superintendent Scott. “It demonstrates to our community our commitment to excellence, our openness to external review and feedback, and our desire to be the best we can be on behalf of the students we serve.”

Dr. Mark Elgart, President/CEO of AdvancED, stated, “AdvancED School System Accreditation is a rigorous process that focuses the entire school system on the primary goal of creating lifelong learners. Hillsboro School District is to be commended for engaging in this process and demonstrating a commitment to continuous improvement.”

Parents and community members can learn more about the Systems Accreditation Process at www.advanc-ed.org.

Additional information about HSD's accreditation audit and findings can be found on their [website](#).

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About AdvancED and NWAC: *Dedicated to advancing excellence in education through accreditation, research and professional services, AdvancED is the world's largest education community, serving and engaging 30,000 public and private schools and school systems in more than 70 countries and serving over 16 million students. AdvancED is the parent organization of the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI).*

The Northwest Accreditation Commission has been accrediting schools in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington since 1917.

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