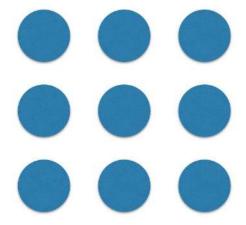


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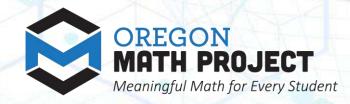
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# Oregon Mathways Initiative: Focusing High School Math

COSA Secondary School Leader Conference October 17, 2019

Mark Freed – Oregon Department of Education





## **Presentation Outline**

- Oregon Context
- Oregon Mathways
- Specific actions
  - Engagement
  - Pathways
  - Focus
  - On Track





## **Oregon Policy Context**

- Mathematics requirements are standards-based rather than course-based.
- High school credits are proficiency-based rather than time-based.
- 3 credits of high school math required to graduate.
- · Course sequences and options are local decisions.
- 40-40-20 Goal







Transformed math systems 2020 Oregon Math Standards Adoption





### **Setting the Stage:**

Why High School Math?

- Known Issues:
  - Too many high school math standards
  - Single pathway to calculus
  - Need for more relevant applications
  - Inequitable tracking practices for students and teachers





### **Mathways Connections to ODE Priorities**

- Reducing Chronic Absenteeism
  - Identify content necessary and meaningful to all students
  - Engage students with authentic applications
- Increase Graduation Rate
  - Create multiple pathways for mathematics
  - Meet diverse student needs as well as college and career goals
- Freshmen On-Track
  - Open up opportunities for innovation
  - Target instruction for student success





#### Participatory Leadership: Personal to Systemic

2014 beginning of a concept

2016 Clarify the idea (small group from ODE including applied math specialist, schools, cc, and university. 2017 Invite broader conversation (math content panel, willing districts, higher education, other agency teams) 2018 Pilot with

pilots

willing districts and learn from those 2020 Act on what we have learned during math adoption





# **Mathways Initiative**



On Track



**Strong Focus** 



Engagement



**Pathways** 





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## Current Pathway Model: Engineered for Success in Calculus

Elementary

Middle

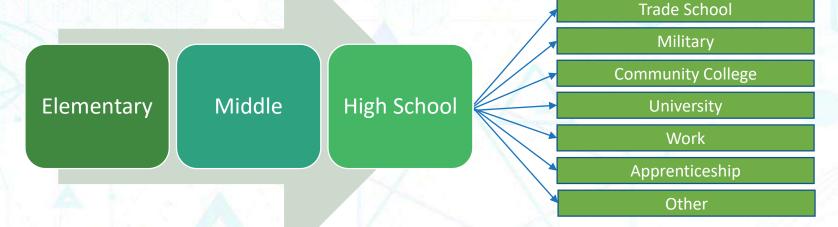
**High School** 

University (Calculus)





### Pathways Model: Student Math Reality







#### **Proposed 2+1 Model**

College and career math opportunities

Optional additional high school math electives or dual credit college math

HS Algebra 2/ Pre-Calculus

(Preparation for Engineering & Physical Sciences Careers) HS Statistics and Modeling

(Preparation for Life Sciences, Social Sciences, & Business Careers) Applied Mathematics & Mathematical Modeling

Construction Geometry
Financial Algebra
Math in Computer Science
Other Applied Courses
(Preparation for Technical Careers)

High School Content – Math 2

High School Content – Math 1

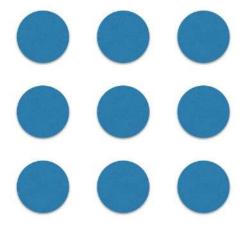
K-8 Mathematics Content

2+1 Model



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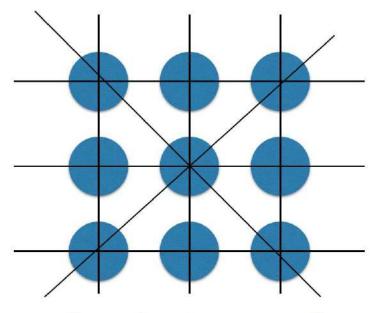


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#### Plant 10 trees to make five rows of four.

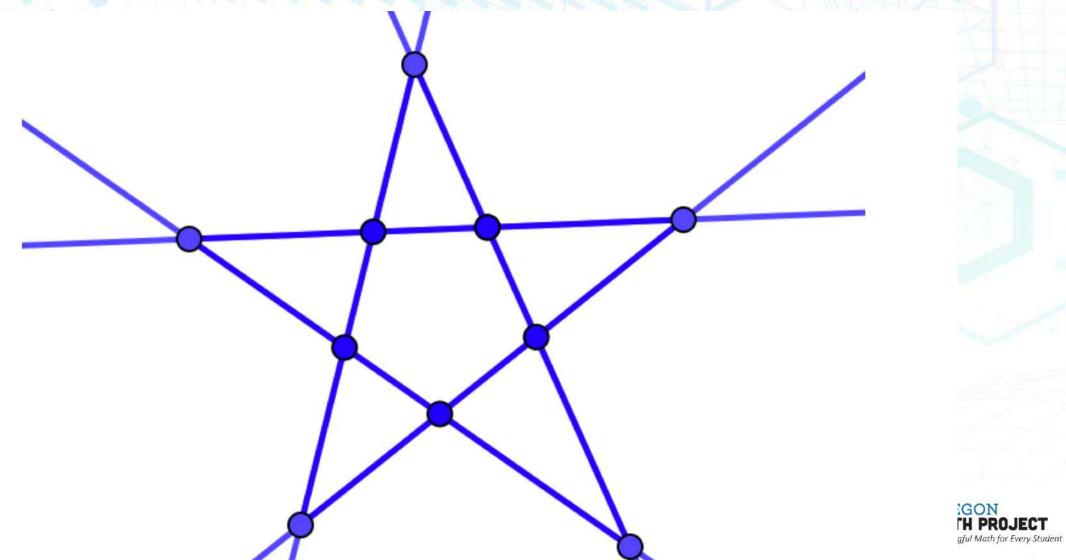


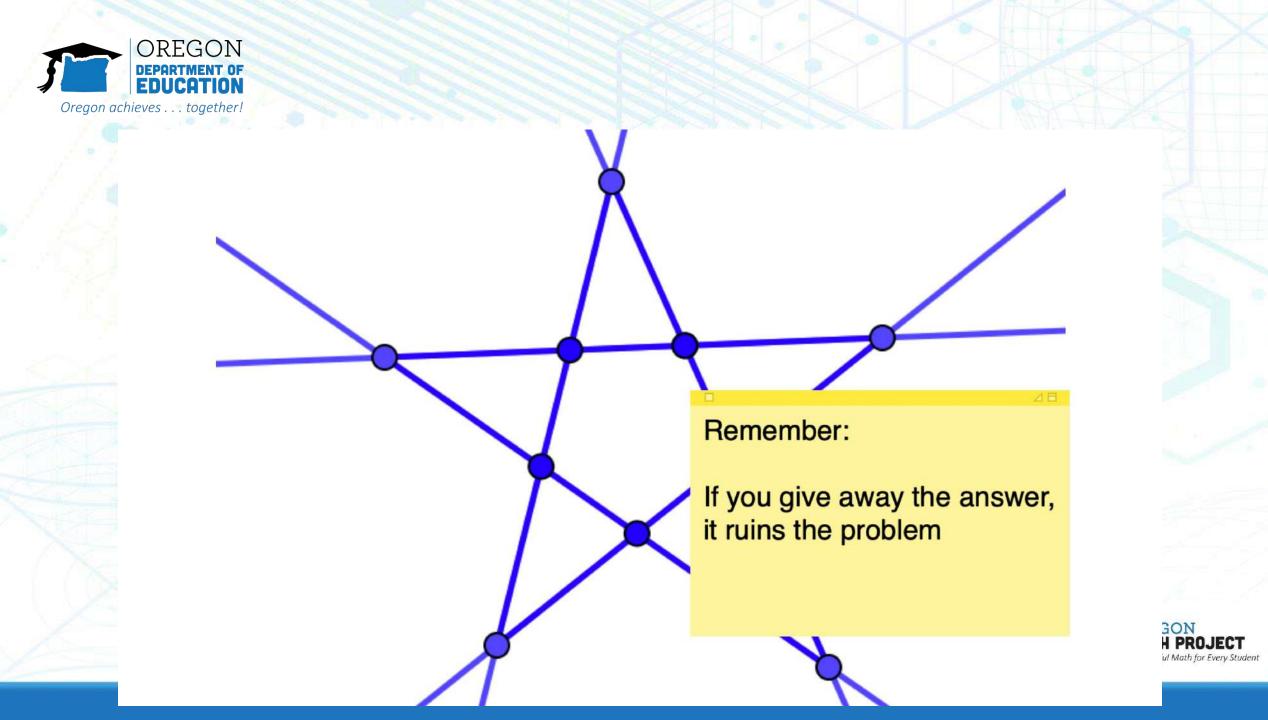
9 dots in 8 rows of 3





#### The "Answer"??



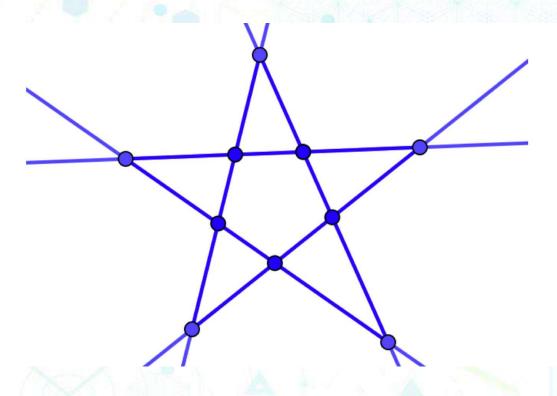


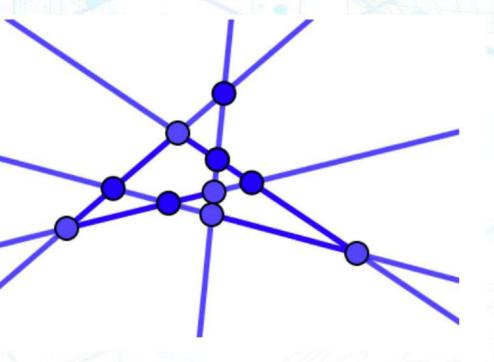


Teacher's Answer

VS.

Dan Finkel's Answer

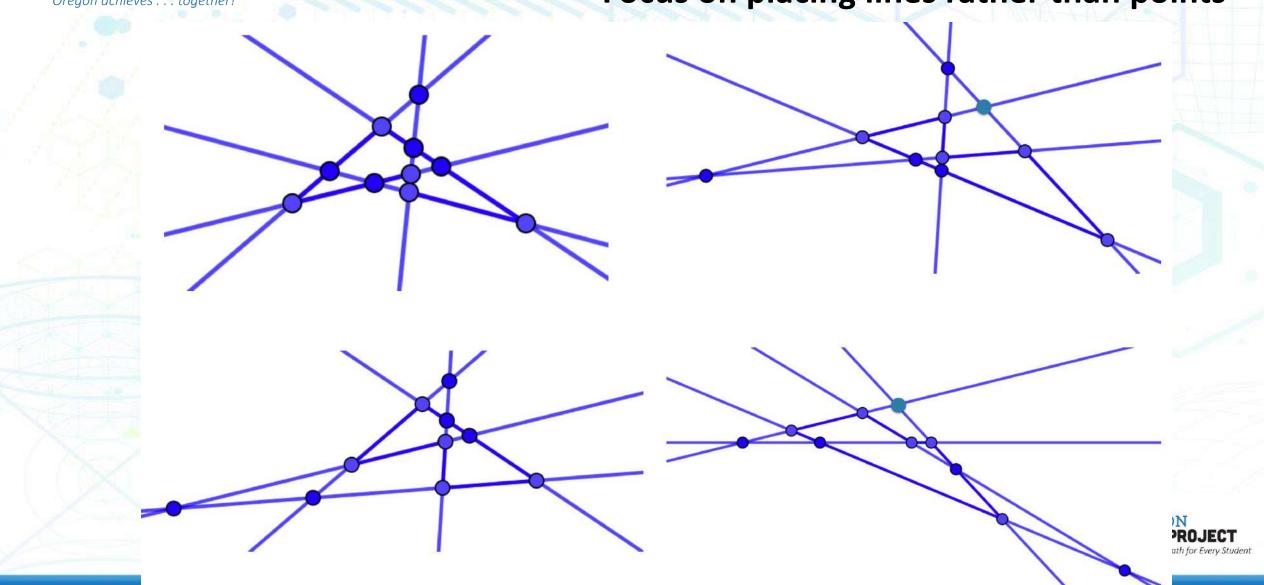








# Changing your perspective Focus on placing lines rather than points

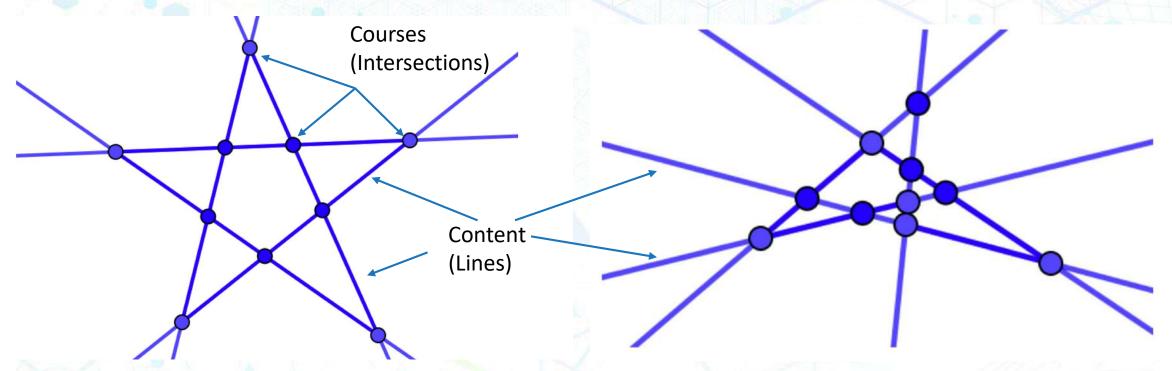




### Shifting perspective from courses to content

#### One solution

Many solutions



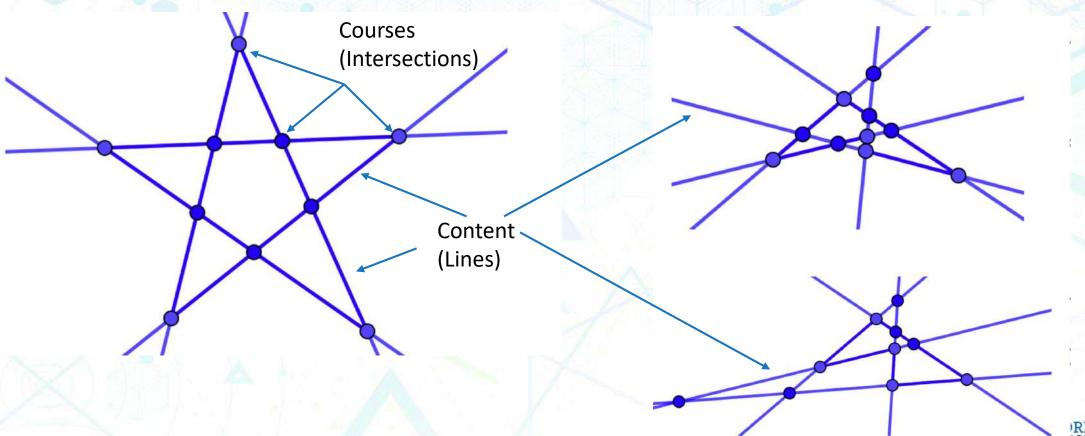




### Shifting perspective from courses to content

One solution (AGA model)

Multiple solutions (2+1 model)







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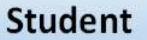
- Not a specific course sequence (based on standards)
- Lesser emphasis on geometry and more on probability and statistics





Engaging students in the learning process

**The +1** 



IMPROVED STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Teacher

Content

Providing academically challenging content

Improving teachers' instructional practice



# **Applied Courses Examples**

- Construction Geometry
- Algebra in Manufacturing
- Bootstrap Algebra
- Introduction to Data Science









# **Mathways Initiative**



On Track



**Strong Focus** 



Engagement



**Pathways** 





### **Finding Focus**

#### Issues

- Too many high school standards
- Lack of consistency as educators choose which standards to focus on.
- Recognition the role of Algebra 2 & Pre-calculus to prepare for enrollment in Calculus, but other options also could exist.
- A number of assessments students may need to take in grade 11

#### **Moving Forward**

- Identify draft conceptual framework that identifies core content for first two credits
- Bridge CCSSM-HS with NCTM Essential skills to organize content.
- Crosswalk to
- CCSS-HS content,
  - Current state assessment framework, and
  - Finding focus regional workshops



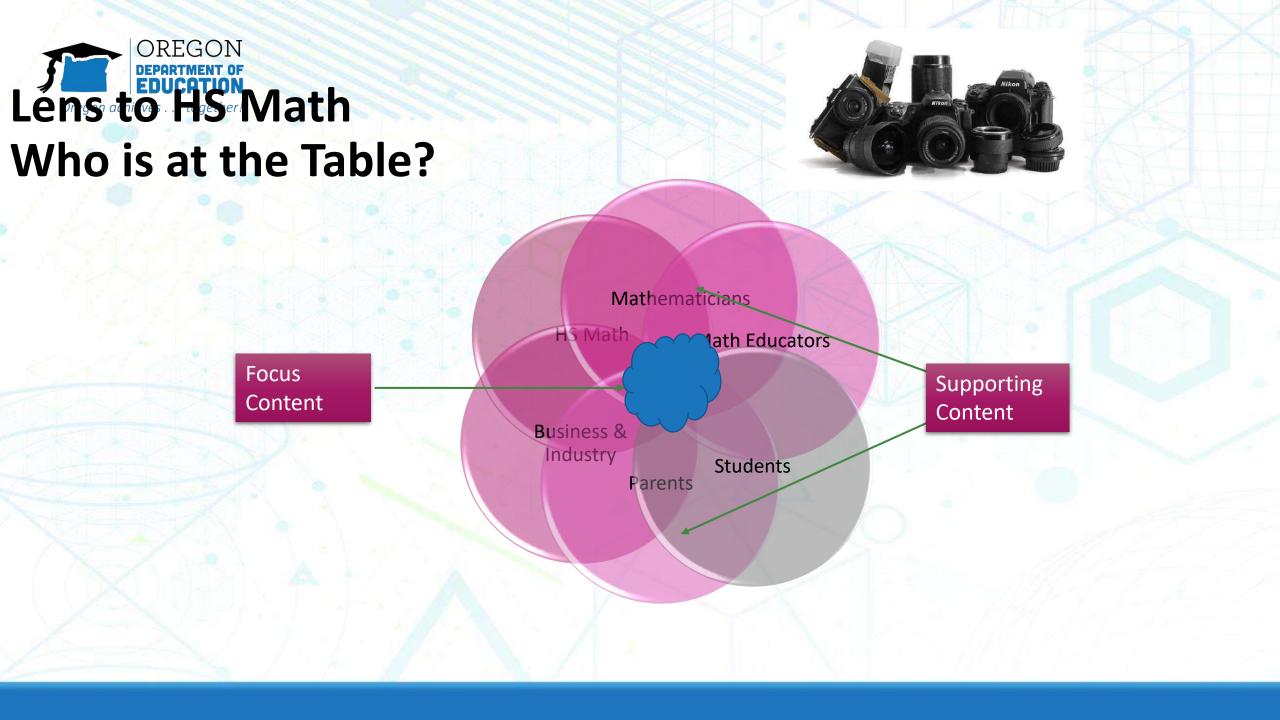


### **Introduction to Lenses**



- Who is at the table when content standards are written?
- Who should be at the table that may have been left out in the past?

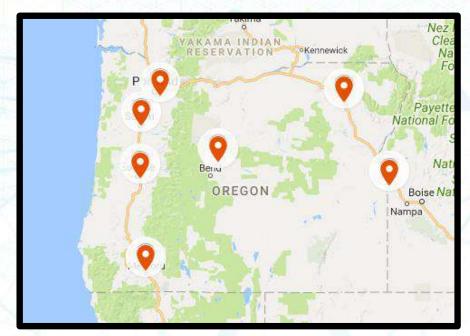






# **Regional Educator Meetings**

Spring 2018

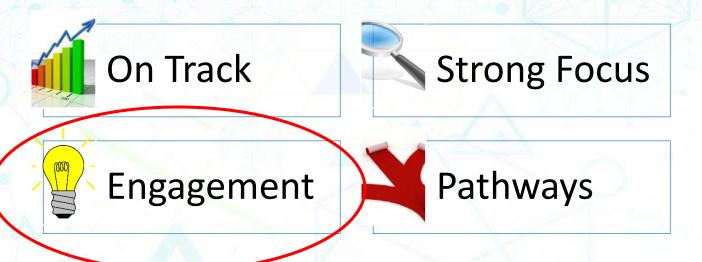








# **Mathways Initiative**







### **Attending to Mathematical Rigor**

Conceptual Understanding





# Math in Real Life - Highlights

- Lane County
- Central Oregon
- Portland Metro
- Oregon State University
- Southern Oregon
- Eastern Oregon





#### Lessons

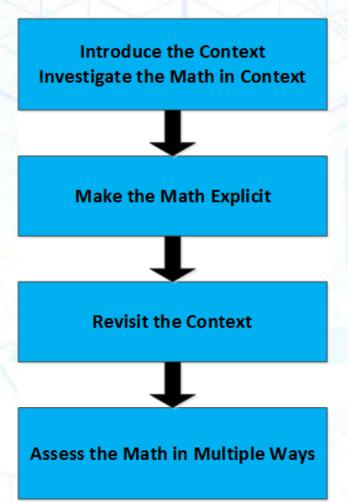
- 1. The approach shown has high potential for student engagement.
- 2. The context of the lesson is authentic and mirrors real-world applications.
- 3. The lesson offers the opportunity to leverage significant mathematics.
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- The lesson portrays math as a part of effective CTE-STEM practice, including critical thinking, communication, and boundary-spanning problem solving.





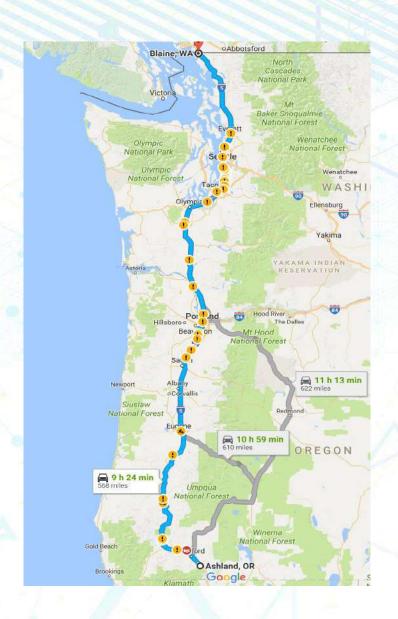
# Linking Math and Context











# What might impact our race?

What assumptions can we make in order to simplify our strategy?

What information do we need in order to plan our race?



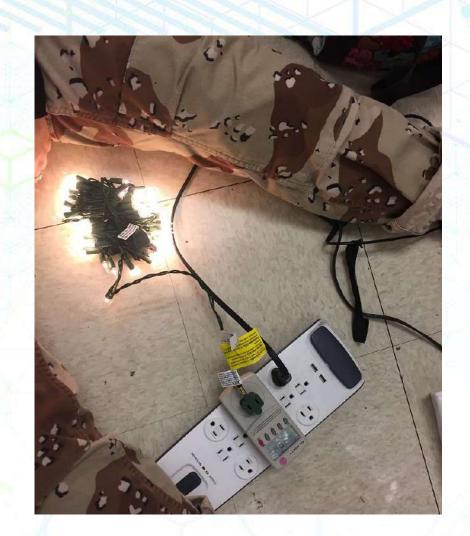
If you were to add your chosen snack to your daily food intake, how many steps would you have to take to burn the equivalent number of calories?





How long will it take a string of LED lights to pay for itself?

How can we use linear equations to find the breakeven point?





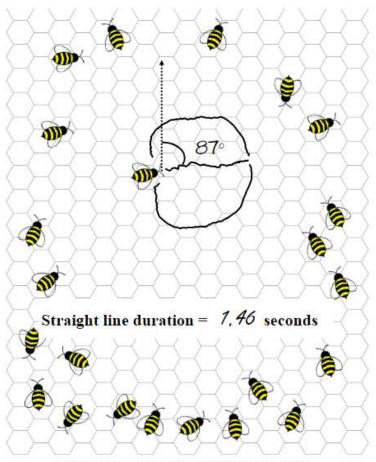
Oregon achieves...together: use proportional reasoning and angle

reasoning and angle measurement to analyze a hypothetical bee hive location and the related food sources visited by the bees.

Students decide if the distances to food sources and duration of waggle dances for the five locations are proportional.

#### Waggle Dance Observation Card:

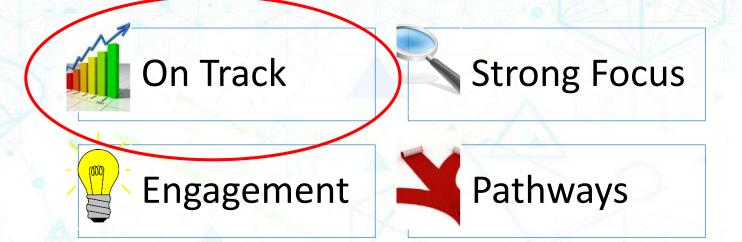
Date: June 1, 2016 Time: 3:00 pm Observer: Karl
Hive #: 11 Food source #:



Note: Actual Western Honey Bee has average length of 12 mm



# **Mathways Initiative**







#### **Students On Track**

#### Issues

- Students are tracked into courses with the same title but different expectations
- Students have had minimal opportunity to engage in grade level content
- Intent of the "algebra 1 and above" requirement is to raise the floor and give all students the opportunity to engage in high school content in 9<sup>th</sup> grade

#### **Moving Forward**

- Work with teachers to shift mindsets and challenge assumptions about student capabilities
- Create structures to provide additional support for student that may need assistance
  - (e.g. summer opportunities, platooning algebra with an additional course, shift pedagogy to active learning practices)





# **Introducing New Ideas**



San Francisco Detracking: One District's Story

SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



Oregon Department of Education March 12, 2019

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## **Expanding and Communicating**

- Policy & Research Briefs
- CBMS 11-14 Pathways
  - 25 States working on pathways, facilitated by Dana Center (UT Austin) & Achieve
  - May 2019 October 2020 collaboration
- Oregon HS Standards review & revision
  - Drafting standards Oct 2019 Mar 2020
  - Public Draft feedback April 2020-July 2020
  - State Board Adoption 2020-21 school year
- Ambitious Math and Science Teaching Summit





## **Policy Briefs**

https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educatorresources/standards/mathematics/Pages/Oregon-Math-Project.aspx

#### **Oregon Mathways Initiative**

2+1 Model



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#### Background

Students are required to have three credits of high school math b Standards (CCSS) for Mathematics to qualify for an Oregon High S demonstrate the Essential Skill they can apply mathematics in a v commonly demonstrated through the Oregon Smarter Balanced I can also be demonstrated through other approved assessments (

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) does not define whit meet graduation requirements. A common option for students is and Algebra II (AGA). This sequence occurs in 90% of high school recommended in 1892. Multiple national reports bring the value into question.

The CCSS for Mathematics have been in place since 2010 and SBJ assessment since the 2014-2015 school year. No more than 34% a level 3 or 4 on the SBAC assessment during the years that it has the lowest level for proficiency. Statewide course-taking pattern high school are taking math classes that are not high school conti

Oregon's experience in mathematics is a reflection of what is hap national reports, highlighted in the resources section below, call i mathematics. The Oregon 2+1 Model is one way at accomplishin

 Providing opportunities for students to develop a solid ur concepts and procedures necessary for college and caree

#### Oregon Mathways Initiative

Mathways Vision and Objectives



#### Oregon Mathways Vision

The vision of the Oregon Mathways initiative is to strengthen the mathematical capacity of Oregon students while concurrently providing more options for students to pursue mathematics content that aligns closely with their learning and career goals. Related to that vision is a goal to increase the number of students who pursue and succeed in areas of study and employment that require using mathematics content.

#### Objectives of Oregon Mathways Initiative

- Identify, refine and disseminate best pedagogical resources and practices across 9-14 classrooms, to promote student actions needed for citizenship, college and career readiness, degree completion.
- Explicitly identify the two years of content expectations for all students to engage in after grade eight mathematics.
- Develop a framework for third credit options to guide school and district staff in the development of courses beyond the first two credits of high school mathematics.
- 4. Align high school math pathways to entry-level college options for students.

#### Need for Change in Secondary Math

Increasing the number and percentage of students who meet high school graduation requirements in mathematics is critical to improving Oregon's high school graduation rate. This need is evident because only about one third of Oregon's high school students meet a level of proficiency based on statewide test scores. Even fewer students of color and English learners demonstrate proficiency. Today, the primary option for students is a single math pathway culminating with Calculus that does not align with the learning and career goals for the majority of Oregon's students. Reimagining math pathway options





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