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## **Brookings-Harbor Voices PSA – Graduation Rate**

Hi, this is Sean Gallagher – Brookings Harbor School District 17C Superintendent here to talk to you about Oregon's graduation rate. Nationwide, graduation rates have risen. The same is true for Oregon. However, Oregon's graduation rate only rose by 1 percent, moving from 74 percent to 75 percent. Brookings-Harbor High School's graduation rate rose by 8 percent. We have a lot of hard work ahead of us as a community, but there is still much to celebrate right now.

The official graduation rate for Brookings Harbor High School for the 2015-16 school year was recently officially released as 70.5 percent. This is the first time Brookings-Harbor High School's graduation rate has been out of the low 60 percent in nearly ten years. Getting past 70 percent means the work we have been doing in the Brookings Harbor School district for the last 2.5 years is making a positive difference in the lives of our students. We are redesigning credit recovery, developing early interventions for at-risk students, reintroducing Career Technical Education programs into the school, and continuing to offer more dual credit college classes. At Brookings Harbor School District, our focus in making sure all Brookings-Harbor High School students success is unwavering.

At Brookings Harbor School District we look at graduation rates not only is a high school focus, but a district focus. Every year that a student successfully moves onto the next grade, it is a celebration of being one step closer to earning a diploma.

How can you help? Glad you asked

1. Encourage continual school attendance of students that you know within our community
2. Encourage students to achieve high academic standards and participate in extracurricular activities

Healthy bodies and healthy minds significantly contribute to graduation rates.

For more information on Oregon Graduation Rates, visit Oregon Department of Educations website at [www.ode.state.or.us](http://www.ode.state.or.us)

Remember that only together we can ensure that Every Student Can Succeed here at Brookings-Harbor School District