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Oregon Department of Education

Dear CTE Program of Study Reviewer:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the proposal being submitted to the Oregon Department of Education - Career and Technical Education program of study application committee. Tigard-Tualatin School District is doing tremendous work to revitalize CTE programming and is positioned to develop a Community and Design program of study at Creekside Community High School. The Community and Design program will include instruction in graphic design, a growing field in Oregon, and we know that high school introduction to this career pathway and hands-on learning assists students in becoming a productive member of this employment field

Tigard-Tualatin School District and Creekside Community High School are requesting the graphic design component of the Community and Design program of study to strengthen and diversify their CTE offerings to the student's in the Tigard and Tualatin communities. I, Justin Wallace support and recognize the need to get more students involved and exposed to our industry practices.

In order to support the Tigard-Tualatin School District's vision for the program, we are committed to providing the following:

- *We/I will provide mentorship to the program's of instructor.*
 - *Be available to answer instructor technical questions*
 - *Be available to answer instructor industry-specific questions*
- *I will provide at least one (or possibly more depending on work schedule) career-related experiences.*
 - *Helping with formation of a skill based contest*
 - *Field trip*
- *I will serve on an advisory committee to support the overall growth of the program.*

This will be the first time we have participated with Tigard-Tualatin School District and Creekside Community High School.

We are deeply committed to partnering with the Tigard-Tualatin School District as they seek approval to develop a best in class graphic design component to their Community and Design CTE program. We know the program will support the development of career pathways that lead to high wage and high demand occupations.

Any programs that can help our students gain access to CTE courses of study to increase employability skills, awareness of career opportunities through exposure to our industry, and helps meet workforce needs in our region has our full support and commitment to partner in order to realize the vision.

Sincerely,

Justin Wallace, Design Master
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