

## October Update

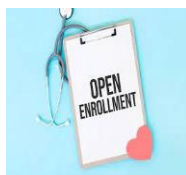
### 2 Hour Early Release

The first 2-hour early release is coming up! Please note that the early release time is educator-directed collaboration time, though the building Guiding Coalition may choose to meet during that time as well. It should not be principal directed. Please see the bargained language below.

***"A two-hour early release Wednesday shall be scheduled once a quarter. The early release time shall be dedicated to educator-directed collaborative planning. Building-Level Guiding Coalitions may also choose to meet during this time."***

Please reach out to VEA if you need additional clarification.

### Open Enrollment – In-person Insurance Fair



Open enrollment for SEBB insurance begins October 30 and ends November 20. Changes to insurance coverage is effective January 1, 2024. Changes are posted on the [SEBB open enrollment website](#).

As a reminder, if you want to participate in a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) or Dependent Care Assistance Program (DCAP) for the 2024 plan year, you must re-enroll during the open enrollment period.

SEBB will host an in-person benefits fair at Clark College on November 1<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. A [virtual benefits fair](#) and [webinars](#) are also offered.

### Hero Day – Snowvana Show



Snow is falling on Mt. Hood. The producer at Snowvana recognizes the work of an educator qualifies you for a Hero Day 2-for-1 discount on Sunday, November 5. Bring a friend and show your district ID at the ticket box. Snowvana will be held at the Portland Expo Center November 3-5. More information can be found at [www.snowvana.com](http://www.snowvana.com)

### Winterhawks Discount Tickets

Back by popular demand, the VEA has teamed up with the Portland Winterhawks for discounted tickets (\$26 or less) all season long with [this link](#). Please see this [flier](#) that also includes a QR code for tickets.

The Winterhawks are hosting a “Kids Day” with 6,000 kiddos from around the area for the 2:00 pm game on January 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be activities, and educational events at that specific game.

### Synergy Preview of Report Card



Please review your report card access in Synergy to make sure everything looks in order so that there are no surprises when grades need to be entered. Something doesn't look quite right? Reach out to the building DLCs or ITS.

### Union Voice



Your voice is powerful. If you plan to share your realities with the School Board via the public comment portion of an upcoming meeting, please reach out to VEA for support.

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M.