



IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF OREGON
CIRCUIT COURTS OF
UMATILLA AND MORROW COUNTIES

In the Matter of Creation of a Truancy
Specialty Court Program

No. 24-011

**PRESIDING JUDGE ORDER RE:
UMATILLA COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
TRUANCY SPECIALTY COURT
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS:

This PJO creates the process for the Umatilla County Circuit Court Truancy Specialty Court Program. The program is a Specialty Court process under ORS 137.680 and is a collaboration of stakeholders to support the School Districts in application of ORS 339.010, 339.020, 339.030, 339.090, utilizing ORS 163.577(1)(c)(7) as that statute requires lawful supervision of children by attending school as required by law for those children under 15 years of age.

THEREFORE:

1. The Court hereby establishes the Umatilla County Truancy Court Program as a Specialty Court under ORS 137.680 using existing statutory processes.
2. All Circuit Court Judges are assigned as Family Law Judges, but the primary Family Law Courtroom(s) will have the primary responsibility for arraignment and processing of cases under the Truancy Court Operations Manual.
3. Once a Responsible Adult (RA) pleads guilty or no contest, and consents to participating in the Parenting Effectiveness Program (PEP), the court process will resemble a treatment court model with a multi-disciplinary approach addressing the Responsible Adult's obligation to supervise the child(ren)/student(s) by having them attend school as required with the schools and other support functions assisting the student.

1 4. The Principals Committee for the Truancy Court Specialty Program will include:

- 2 a. The Presiding Judge; AND
- 3 b. The primary Circuit Court Judges managing the Truancy docket; AND
- 4 c. The School District Superintendents; AND
- 5 d. The Intermountain ESD Superintendent; AND
- 6 e. The Umatilla County CARES representative; AND
- 7 f. Community Counseling Solutions representative; AND
- 8 g. A representative of the Umatilla County District Attorney's Office.

9 SO ORDERED



Daniel J. Hill, Circuit Court Judge

10 DATED: September 27, 2024

11 DANIEL J. HILL

12 Presiding Judge of the Circuit Court

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