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Dear Parents/Families/Guardians,

In the coming weeks, your student(s) will receive a presentation on the topics of organ, eye, and tissue donation and transplantation. The Oregon Department of Education has revised high school health standards to include this topic (HS.WHP.6). Donate Life Northwest (DLNW) has developed this presentation from its award-winning, content-standard-aligned curriculum to introduce this topic in an age-appropriate and culturally sensitive manner. A highly trained DLNW staff or volunteer with a personal or professional connection to donation or transplant will deliver the presentation.

DLNW's 50-year mission is to save lives and improve health through the promotion of organ, eye, and tissue donation. Your child(ren) will not only learn about the types of organ and tissue donation but also the impact donation can have on the community as well as understanding the facts vs. misconceptions surrounding donation. Students will have opportunities to ask questions to deepen their understanding of this important topic. Our intent is never to pressure someone into registering as a donor but rather to provide the correct facts and resources to students and their families so they can make an informed decision when they visit the DMV to get their permit/license/ID or if registering online. It is highly encouraged to have conversations with your family about organ, eye, and tissue donation and personal wishes regarding it. Open dialogue ensures individuals' wishes are honored when the time comes for decisions to be made on their behalf. If you have any questions or concerns about our subject matter, please feel free to contact us at: [education@donatelifenw.org](mailto:education@donatelifenw.org).

For more information, you can visit our website, [www.donatelifenw.org/](http://www.donatelifenw.org/). We are excited to share about the impact of donation and hope our class presentation sparks inspiration and meaningful discussion for your child(ren) and family.

Sincerely,  
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