

Dear Oregon Educators,

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is pleased to announce that free access to myON Books (a business unit of Capstone) will be extended through December 20, 2013. This online library of over 4,000 enhanced digital books for all students and families was first introduced as a free resource to the state in early summer, 2013.

As you welcome students to the new school year, we encourage you to take advantage of this resource to help ease the transition from summer break and build excitement among your students around reading, which is a key element for learning across the curriculum. MyON books is a resource from Capstone, the leading provider of school and library texts.

For more information on this resource or to log into myON, please follow these simple steps:

1) Go to www.myon.com and click on the "Login Now" button

2) On the login screen, enter the following information into the appropriate fields:

School Name: Oregon Readers (begin typing Oregon Readers and select "Oregon Readers, Oregon Department of Education" from the dropdown box.

Username: read (all lower case)

Password: read (all lower case)

3) Click the "sign in" button

Below are some benefits of ODE's partnership with myON books:

Students can choose from a broad range of titles and formats, from illustrated and picture books to chapter books, graphic novels, photo books and informational texts, spanning multiple eras and cultures.

The collection provides varying levels of text complexity and supports close reading in a range of genres and content areas, including history/social studies, science, and technical works.

Books for beginning through advanced readers from PreK to Grade 12 are engaging, motivating, and accessible on any Internet connected device.

Free mobile apps for iPad, tablets, and Kindle Fire HD allow readers to download titles for offline reading.

The collection, which is continually growing, is comprised of 70% non-fiction, 30% fiction, and 10% Spanish or dual language titles.

Titles are aligned to the Common Core and the Oregon Standards Framework.

Flexible, optional reading scaffolds -- naturally recorded audio to model fluency, word and sentence text highlighting, and an embedded dictionary to support vocabulary development -- provide students the opportunity to grow and develop content specific vocabulary in context.

There is no limit to the number of students who can read the same book at the same time, making this a great resource for independent reading as well as assigned reading for classes.

Families can read myON books together, and adults who may not be proficient readers can share in this rich experience with their children.

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