

HEAD START of LANE COUNTY

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"Ensuring that our youngest children have a solid foundation for life."

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To City of Springfield

Head Start of Lane County actively supports the ARC proposal for an inclusive park in Springfield. All children need opportunities for physical activities and developing a healthy lifestyle.

A park that allows children needing accommodations to be able to play and enjoy being outside also provides an environment that promotes understanding and acceptance of diversity.

The City of Springfield can be a role model for the entire County by promoting inclusive opportunities. There are no other parks that allow the 33,000 children and youth to have a space that has no barriers to "just being a kid."

Head Start promotes children with and without special needs playing and growing together. Families would absolutely utilize the ARC's park on a regular basis.

Thank you for your consideration of the ARC's park proposal.

Sincerely,

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