

THE RIGHT BRAIN INITIATIVE



Pre-K students at Woodlawn School explore space and anatomy through movement with The Right Brain Initiative and Oregon Ballet Theatre.

The Right Brain Initiative is the arts integration program of the Regional Arts & Culture Council. Right Brain brings artists into classrooms and provides professional development for school staff, helping schools integrate the arts throughout the curriculum. The program will serve approximately 20,000 K-8 students this school year, in 59 schools throughout the Portland metro region, 18 of which are from PPS. This public-private partnership now serves every K-8 school in the Jefferson cluster.

Exciting new data suggests that students who work with Right Brain are truly learning, making gains in reading, math and English language proficiency.



Right Brain media teaching artist Michelle Swinehart works with 7th graders at Beach K-8 to create podcasts that explore personal culture.