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**LIBRARY DISTRICT ANNOUNCES NEW *TAKE OFF!* PROGRAM MANAGER**

The Umatilla County Special Library District (UCSLD) is excited to announce the hiring of Brittany Young as the new Program Manager for the District's *Take Off!*, early literacy program.

Brittany joins the District with experience in the field of youth services in libraries, gained while working at the Pendleton Public Library. Currently, she is working toward her Masters in Library and Information Science. Brittany said while working at the Pendleton Public Library, "I found and nurtured my passion for early childhood education." As the *Take Off!* Program Manager, Brittany will be providing resources to area partners who serve children ages 0-5.

*Take Off!* is a preschool, early literacy program operated by UCSLD to assist early childhood facilities – daycare centers, Head Start programs, private daycare facilities, preschools – in preparing preschoolers for Kindergarten. Providers interested in receiving additional information can contact Brittany at 541-276-6449

Formed in 1986 and governed by a five-member voter-elected Board of Directors, the Umatilla County Special Library District (UCSLD) is an independent taxing district funded by taxpayer dollars. UCSLD's mission is to support the development of public libraries in Umatilla County to provide services, programs, and continuing educational opportunities to individuals of all ages, thereby strengthening their communities through individual, family, economic, and community development.

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