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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Bob Sande

DATE: December 19, 2007

SUBJECT: Educator Expense Deduction

EDUCATOR EXPENSES TAX DEDUCTION EXTENDED FOR 2007

The \$250 per person Educator Expenses deduction was extended to 2007. For 2007 there is a line on the federal tax return dedicated to the deduction. It is line 23 of Form 1040 and line 16 of Form 1040A. Each form refers to specific instructions that explain the qualification for the deduction.

The simplest tax return, Form 1040EZ, does not provide for this deduction so if you have qualifying expenses be sure to use one of the other forms to do you taxes.

Oregon forms are not available for review yet but the deduction should also be allowed in Oregon. No special entry is required since the deduction on the federal return is reflected in Oregon taxable income. I will let you know if Oregon adopts anything different after their forms become available.

