

# PREP

## Portland Rewards Excellent Performance



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PREP is a high school; a very different, very needed high school.

PREP is an alternative public high school for inner city youth, who have either failed or believe society has failed them. It's a high school where the majority of students, range in age from 13 to 19 and come from low socio-economic backgrounds. It's a school where teachers are dedicated, hardworking, and sincere and work with students who are in desperate need of an education, someone who cares, guidance, and support.

PREP deals with a side of education that many people don't see and do not hear about; that of saving students who have just about given up on education. They don't fit, and say they do not care, but they do care.

PREP is that hope. It is the last bridge between getting an education or being a complete dropout.

I for one can identify with, support, and feel good about PREP. It reminds me so very much of my own school days, as a youth in classes such as those at PREP.

Yes ... PREP is a very different, but a very needed high school. Thank you.

Gerald E. Talbot

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Vice Chairman  
State Board of Education



What I like best about school is Reading, I couldn't do it before.



The other students at PREP are the best part of the day.



Why do I go to school? I go to school because I like it.

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## PREP STUDENTS DISCOVER THE REWARDS OF

ATTENDANCE  
BEHAVIOR  
ACADEMICS  
ENTRY  
RE-ENTRY

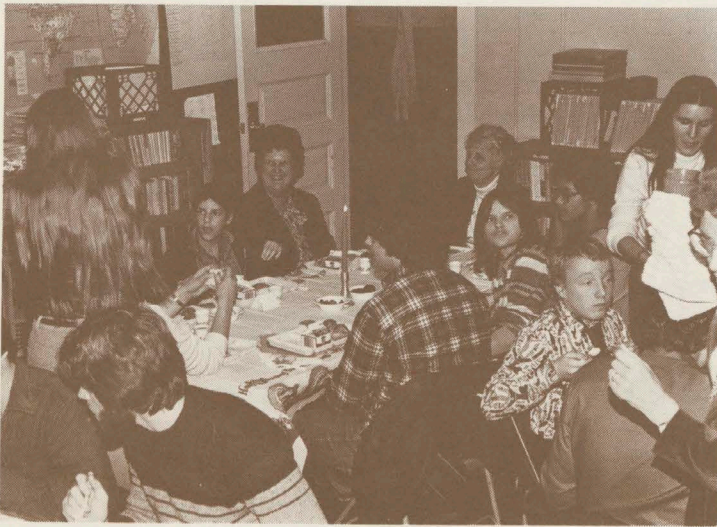
# I CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD



SAC is the best time during the school day



What I like best about school is auctions



The other students at PREP are nice people who work hard

## PREP is:

Catching youth being good is the work of the community, something we can all do. We start with small steps and help build the kind of skills that make students feel good about themselves and others.

I caught you, The People of Portland being good! Thank you for your demonstrated support of P.R.E.P. and Portland's Public Education.

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