

# ***Holistic Teaching and Learning Podcast: Maureen Honeycutt***

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## **Abstract**

The Holistic Teaching and Learning Podcast is presented by students in the Holistic Teaching and Learning Center (HTLC) at SOU. Ultimately, a holistic approach to teaching is taking a step back and understanding that catering to the soul is most important. The pursuits of holistic education are compassion, wholeness, awe, wonder, and a sense of purpose. When you foster the soul of young students self-efficacy follows. When students believe that they are important and supported, the world is their oyster. The purpose of education is to bring out the best in every student and that starts with the soul.

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In this podcast episode, Maureen Honeycutt meets with members of the Holistic Teaching & Learning Club, a group of aspiring educators who eagerly want to change the world of education by applying holistic approaches to teaching. Founder of the Southern Oregon University Preschool and advocate of holistic teaching she paves the way for other holistic educators to bring their most authentic selves to the classroom. She talks about her experiences in teaching and shares a few tips that have worked for her along the way. Above all, she leaves this group of undergrad students with a sense of hope and inspiration.

## **Link to Podcast**

<https://www.speaker.com/user/14422321/htlp-ft-marueen-honeycutt>

## **Acknowledgement**

Maureen Honeycutt is an early childhood educator and founder of the Community Preschool at Southern Oregon University.

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