Open Up Resources’ Publisher Background

Open Up Resources is a mission-driven non-profit organization increasing equity in education by incubating and disseminating the highest quality curriculum. We couple the curriculum with implementation support to reach the broadest number of teachers to empower them effectively. Our approach sustainably improves student outcomes in pre-K–12 English Language Arts and Mathematics.

We provide high-quality full-course curricula to K–12 districts as open educational resources (OER) to promote instructional equity. Our partners are the country’s foremost experts authoring superb curriculum and delivering essential implementation support.

Our goal is to put high-quality, standards-aligned materials in the hands of as many teachers and students as possible. We achieve this goal by:

- Tapping expert authors to create our curriculum
- Checking the content against key rubrics, including highly respected third-party rubrics (EQuIP, IMET) and proprietary rubrics that maintain our quality standards for supporting English language learners and students with disabilities and diverse learning needs
- Forging the curriculum through large-scale district betas
- Publishing the curriculum as an open educational resource (OER) to reduce implementation costs
- Providing implementation support services, including comprehensive professional development, professional learning community engagements, and print services

Open Up Resources evolved out of the K–12 OER Collaborative, a coalition of state education agencies that teamed up in 2013 to foster the development of comprehensive, high-quality, standards-aligned core programs. Our organization evolved in response to educators’ cries for high-quality, standards-aligned instructional materials that enable more in-depth learning, critical thinking, and practical problem-solving. Open Up Resources launched in 2016 as a separate and independent entity to further the mission of the Collaborative:

- Partner with organizations that have the capacity and expertise to produce curriculum-scale OER across content areas and grade levels
- Provide quality control and distribution for those materials
- Provide the supports necessary for districts to implement our curricula with fidelity

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