

## **Publisher Response**

Activate Learning takes great pride in our partnership with OpenSciEd to deliver high quality, research-based, and student-centered science curriculum designed to address the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Our team is dedicated to staying true to the integrity of the original OpenSciEd curriculum and keeping current with ongoing updates to our digital version.

We understand that the pedagogical shift to 3-dimensional teaching can be challenging, and we are committed to equipping educators with the tools they need to engage students in authentic and equitable learning.

The Activate Learning version of the OpenSciEd Middle School curriculum includes added support for teachers and students on our digital platform to improve efficiency and engagement. Student supports include embedded translation for 130+ languages, text-to-speech with read-along highlighting, and sentence starters to support writing. Teachers benefit from having all of the OpenSciEd instructional materials organized in a way that saves significant time while ensuring the integrity of the OpenSciEd instructional model.

We greatly appreciate the time and energy that went into EdReports' review of the Activate Learning version of the OpenSciEd Grades 6-8 science curriculum. We are proud to share that our instructional materials meet expectations for criterion in all three gateways.

- Gateway 1: Designed for NGSS
  - Criterion 1.1: Three-Dimensional Learning
  - Criterion 1.2: Phenomena and Problems Drive Learning
- Gateway 2: Coherence & Scope
  - Criterion 2.1: Coherence and Full Scope of the Three Dimensions
- Gateway 3: Usability
  - Criterion 3.1: Teacher Supports
  - Criterion 3.2: Assessment
  - Criterion 3.3: Student Supports
  - Criterion 3.4: Intentional Design

To learn more about the Activate Learning version of the OpenSciEd Grades 6-8 Curriculum, visit <u>https://activatelearning.com/middle-school-curriculum/openscied/</u>

