

Minnesota Partnership for Collaborative Curriculum

A grassroots initiative among school districts to create comprehensive open education resources (OER) through the Partnership for Collaborative Curriculum is underway. Over 22 districts have committed to fund the initiative by contributing approximately one dollar per ADM. The goal is to create course work in a digital format in the four core subject areas for grades 3-12. At the conclusion of the development project, all materials will be shared publicly under a creative commons license.

The benefits to all districts include:

- Access to high quality curriculum aligned to standards and available at minimal cost;
- Local control over the curriculum to edit, remove, add or customize elements of the content;
- Facilitation of moving toward 1-1 device initiatives;
- Improving capacity for personalized learning;
- Training opportunities for teachers to develop digital content and become skilled in delivering personalized learning through digital content.

This initiative is an extension of collaborative efforts by the Minnesota Learning Commons, and the MDE OER Initiative with Achieve, Inc. Minnesota Department of Education staff have been involved in updates about the project.

Further details can be found in the [Organizational plan \(goo.gl/d9i42K\)](http://goo.gl/d9i42K), which contains details on the organization and outcomes, along with an Agreement Request Form to indicate your interest in joining. Additionally, the website at <http://bit.ly/collaborativecurriculum> includes examples of projects already launched.

Next steps include soliciting proposals from partner districts to sponsor development of individual courses, planning teacher training, and beginning work on curriculum development. Communications to districts throughout the state will continue to ensure all districts are aware of the opportunity to join.

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