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DATE: January 24, 2019

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent 
Division of Educator, Student, and School Support

SUBJECT: Call for Open Education Resources Facilitators and Ambassadors

The Regional Education Media Center (REMC) Association of Michigan, in a partnership with the Michigan Department of Education Educational Technology Unit and the #GoOpen Michigan Strategy team, is looking for individuals to become Open Education Resources (OER) facilitators and ambassadors across the state. Educators from a variety of roles (i.e. curriculum experts, educational technologists, building and district administrators, and classroom teachers) are needed as we extend the use of OER into more school districts and classrooms as part of Michigan Department of Education's commitment to Michigan being a #GoOpen state. If you have a staff member you feel would be ideal for attending the training and then providing training back in your building/district, please pass this information on to them and encourage them to sign up.

What facilitators will get:

- FREE attendance at a two day workshop to Dive into OER (lunch provided)
 - During the two day workshop, facilitators will be trained on effectively using OER, then will plan a training of their own to offer to colleagues
- Time and supports to begin planning their own workshop to lead back in their building, district, or intermediate school district (ISD)
- Ongoing supports as they finalize and lead their own Dive into OER workshop
- Collaboration within a network of educators passionate about OER
- \$150 stipend (after fulfillment of project commitments below)

What facilitators need to provide:

- Desire to teach other educators about OER, and how to use and create OER
- Willingness to explore, create, problem-solve, etc.

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What facilitators are committing to:

- Full attendance at the two day workshop
- Offering at least one OER training of their own back at their local district or ISD
- Supporting at least one OER training in their region
- Optional: become an OER advocate in their county!

Additional information about this opportunity can be found in the [Dive Into OER FAQ](#). Please contact diveintoer@remc.org with questions.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance