

# OPEN ED UPDATES

KBOR Statewide OER Steering Committee Newsletter



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PROVIDENCE & VIRTUAL  
OCTOBER 8-10 — 2024

## Open Educational Conference 2024

Open Educational Conference  
#OpenEd24

October 8-10, 2024  
Providence, RI & Virtual

“The Open Education Conference is an annual convening for sharing and learning about open educational resources, open pedagogy, and open education initiatives. This dynamic gathering celebrates the core values of open education that strive to realize education ecosystems that are accessible, affordable, equitable and inclusive to everyone, regardless of their background.” ([openeducationconference.org](https://openeducationconference.org))

For the first time in four years, the conference will be in-person in Providence, RI. It also includes a virtual component for those who cannot attend, creating a hybrid event you will not want to miss.

Keynote speakers this year include the following:

Tuesday, Oct 8th

James Glapa-Grossklag. Dean, Educational Technology, Learning Resources, and Distance Learning at College of the Canyons (CA).  
Joy Shoemate. Director of Online Education at College of the Canyons.

Wednesday, October 9th

Richard Baraniuk. Professor of electrical and computer engineering at Rice University and founder and director of OpenStax.

## UPCOMING KS OER EVENTS

Open Texas 2024 will be September 25-27, 2024 with the theme "Global Horizons of Open Education: The View from Texas"

SUNY OER Summit 2024 - October 16 & 17, 2024 is a free, virtual event with the theme: Open Educational Resources: Supporting Faculty, Empowering Students.

Thursday, October 10th

Student Keynote Panel featuring students from the northeast region discussing the topic, “Why Do We Need Open Education in this Moment?”

Find an overview of the conference at <https://openeducationconference.org/2024>

Find a schedule of events at <https://opened24.sched.com/>

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## State & Regional OER Updates

DOERS3, SPARC, and the regional interstate higher education compacts are jointly sponsoring a series of webinars to discuss potential strategies to advance open education work nationally, followed by a report webinar. National Coordination on Open Education: Community Conversation Series schedule:

- Tuesday 24 September 2024 12:00-1:00pm CT
- Wednesday 2 October 2024 1:00-2:00pm CT
- Thursday 17 October 2024 1:00-2:00pm CT

Report Out: Tuesday 29 October 2024 1:00-2:00pm CT

Join the Kansas OER Google Group to share information and get assistance with OER questions:

<https://groups.google.com/g/kansas-oer>.

## Spotlight on System Schools

Have you had an OER success on campus? Have you encountered a challenge while instituting course marking? Have faculty adopted an open textbook or homework system? Has the institution hit a snag in developing a system for funding OER creation? Has your institution made progress in improving accessibility assessment?

Share your stories with us!

Help inform and inspire our community by sharing institutional successes and challenges in open education. Contact your institutional KBOR OER Steering Committee representative or the Communications Sub-committee Chair, Tim Miller at [timm@labette.edu](mailto:timm@labette.edu).