

Ready for Open? Assess Your Sharing Plan

Goals: Participating in this activity will help you develop a considered approach for how you would like to share your teaching resources.

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