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Eureka Math, the Top Pick of Teachers Nationwide

Monday, April 18, 2016— *Eureka Math,* only three years old, is now the most widely used math curriculum in the United States, according to a new <u>study</u> released today by the RAND Corporation. The findings underscore the significant shifts in the K-12 textbook market as educators embrace high expectations, innovation, and choice.

Of 1,168 teachers responding to a nationwide survey, 57% of elementary school and 47% of secondary teachers said they use either *Eureka Math* or the version of this curriculum developed for EngageNY.org. This surpasses the use of any other curricula, particularly at the elementary level where the next most popular curriculum is used by just 32% of teachers.

"The teachers who wrote *Eureka Math* are overjoyed that their peers nationwide have embraced this work. This is truly a grassroots movement," said Lynne Munson, president of the non-profit Great Minds, creator of *Eureka Math*. "This curriculum makes everyone work harder and rewards that work with extraordinary student success," added Munson.

"I've never experienced anything so powerful in education," said Kelley Boynton, executive director for elementary education of Bethel Public Schools in Washington state. "Our students can now solve unbelievably complex problems and share their thinking with pride and enthusiasm. We have been changed forever."

<u>EdReports.org</u>, an independent non-profit that reviews curricula, gives *Eureka Math* the highest ratings in all categories (focus/coherence, rigor, and usability in the classroom). Although schools are generally in their first or second years of using *Eureka Math*, many are already seeing <u>improvements</u> on nationally recognized tests.

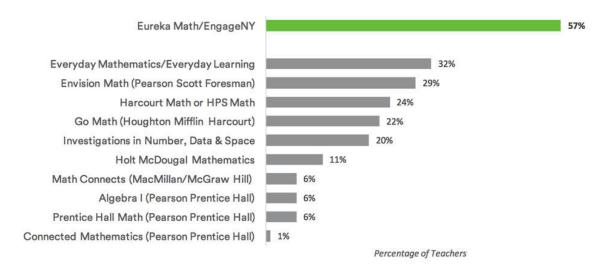
Eureka Math is the first cohesive math curriculum for grades PK-12 completely aligned to the new standards. Top classroom teachers and mathematicians from around the country wrote the curriculum during a two-year collaboration with New York state (EngageNY) led by the nonprofit <u>Great Minds</u>. *Eureka Math* is available in print and online, where anyone can download it for free.

About Great Minds:

A group of education leaders founded the non-profit Great Minds in 2007 to define and encourage content-rich comprehensive education for all American schoolchildren. In pursuit of that mission, Great Minds brings schoolteachers together in collaboration with scholars to craft exemplary instructional materials and share them with the field. Great Minds' *Eureka Math* curriculum has won accolades at the state and national levels, and is the only comprehensive math curriculum aligned to the Common Core State Standards at every grade. The non-profit also just released *Wit & Wisdom*, a new English curriculum that taps the power of literature, history and science to meet the expectations of the new standards.

For more information, please visit **GreatMinds.org**.

Which Math Curricula Are Elementary Teachers Using?



Data from Figure 2.1 of RAND Corporation Report "Implementation of K-12 State Standards for Mathematics and English Language Arts and Literacy"

NOTE: Teachers were not surveyed in Alaska, Indiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Virginia, and Texas.