



SUCCESS STORY · ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

200K+ STUDENTS	150+ LANGUAGES	7-11 GRADE LEVELS	2 EOCs CIVICS · U.S. HISTORY
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FLORIDA ★ EOC RESULTS

How Orange County School District Raised Civics Proficiency at Scale

Tasked with preparing a large and diverse student population for Florida’s rigorous Civics and U.S. History EOC assessments, OCPS partnered with Teachers’ Curriculum Institute (TCI) to bring active, inquiry-driven social studies instruction to its classrooms at scale.



Key Results at a Glance

CIVICS EOC		U.S. HISTORY EOC	
+8 pts	10,752	+6 pts	10,298
Civics Level 3+ growth 2020-21 → 2024-25	of 15,593 students scored Level 3 or higher in Civics (2024-25)	U.S. History Level 3+ growth 2020-21 → 2024-25	of 14,709 students scored Level 3 or higher in U.S. History (2024-25)

About the District

Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) is one of the largest school districts in the United States, serving more than 200,000 students across the greater Orlando metropolitan area. The district reflects the remarkable diversity of Central Florida – with students representing over 150 languages and a wide range of cultural backgrounds – making engaging instruction essential to student success.

Why TCI

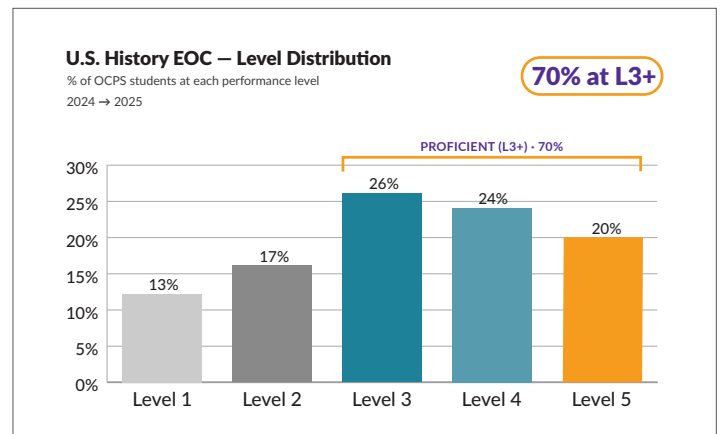
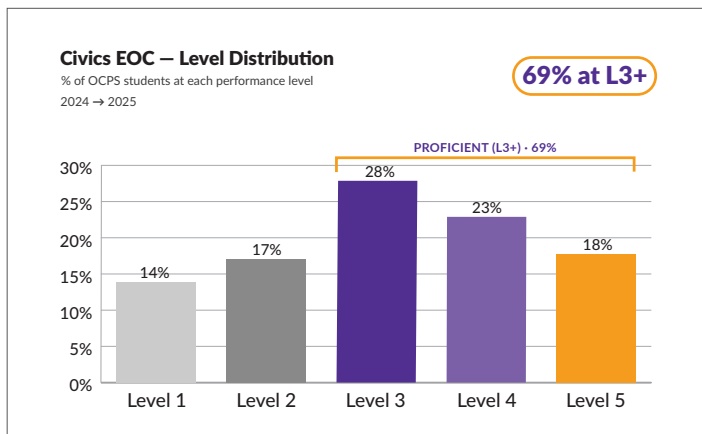
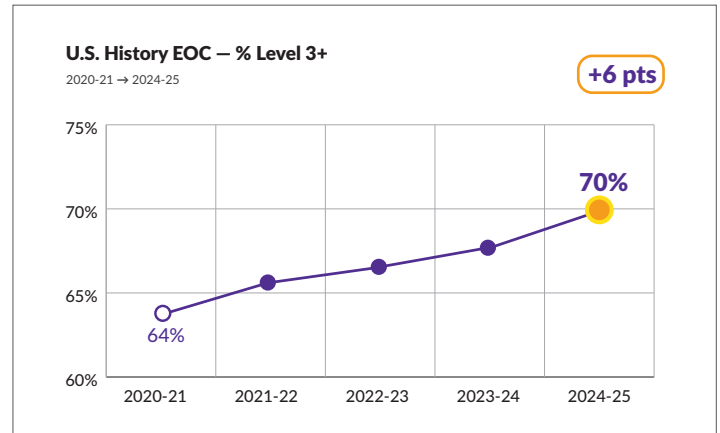
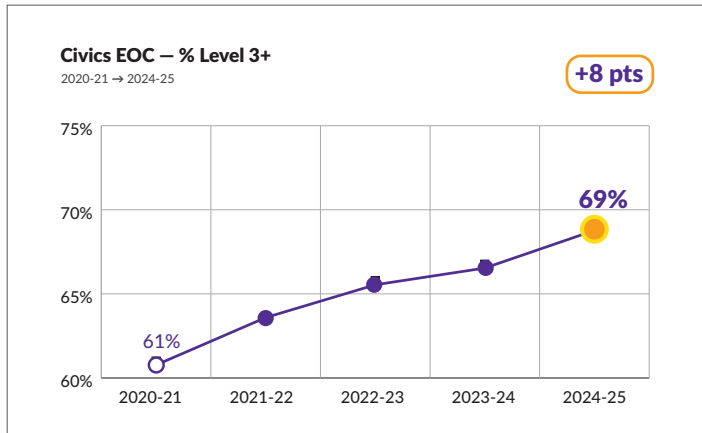
TCI’s K-12 social studies programs gave OCPS teachers a comprehensive, Florida standards-aligned curriculum built around the belief that all students learn best when they are active participants in the learning process. Through cooperative learning structures, primary source investigations, role-play simulations, and an intuitive digital platform, with built-in differentiation tools and support for English Language Learners.

*SOURCE: www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/end-of-course-eoc-assessments

Results That Matter

Since implementing TCI, Orange County Public Schools has achieved meaningful, sustained growth on Florida’s Social Studies EOC assessments. In 2024–25, 69% of students scored at Level 3 or above on the Civics EOC – an 8-percentage-point increase from 2020–21. U.S. History proficiency rose to 70%, a 6-point gain over the same period.

Perhaps most remarkably, these gains occurred across one of the most diverse student populations in the nation – evidence that TCI’s active learning model is a powerful equalizer, giving every student, regardless of background or language, the opportunity to engage deeply with history and civics content.



“We are so proud of what Orange County teachers and students have accomplished together. An 8-point gain in Civics proficiency is meaningful at any scale, but what excites us most is knowing those numbers represent students who genuinely engaged with the content. That’s the promise of active learning. When teachers have the right tools, students don’t just score better on the Civics EOC. They understand why civics matters. We’re honored by this partnership with OCPS and excited to see what comes next.”

NATASHA MARTIN Director of Outreach – TCI

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Teachers’ Curriculum Institute (TCI) is a leading K–12 social studies and science publisher dedicated to transforming classrooms through inquiry-based, active learning. TCI’s programs are used by districts across the United States to build civic knowledge, critical thinking, and a love of learning.