

Social Studies Curriculum Adoption - Middle School



Board of Trustees
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Piloted Publishers



Curriculum for teachers who want to
revolutionize teaching.

After presentations and a review process:

- National Geographic Learning
- Discovery Education
- Savvas Learning Company
- TCI
- McGraw Hill

Timeline and Process

September 17, 2021	Framework & Adoption Toolkit Overview Toolkit alignment using District Demographics & Data
October 20, 2021	Review Program Components/District Needs & Focus Trace identified skills and standards
November 3, 2021	Publisher Presentations to SMFCSD
January 4, 2022	Training & Launch Pilot 1 - McGraw-Hill <i>Impact</i>
January 26, 2022	Pilot -1 McGraw Hill Office Hours: Answer Questions & Initial Feedback
February 23, 2022	Debrief Pilot 1- McGraw-Hill <i>Impact</i>

Timeline and Process

March 2, 2022	Training & Launch Pilot 2 - TCI <i>History Alive!</i>
March 23, 2022	Pilot 2-TCI <i>History Alive!</i> Office Hours: Answer Questions & Initial Feedback
April 27, 2022	Debrief Pilot 2-TCI <i>History Alive!</i> Consensus Building & Staff Recommendation
May 12, 2022	Board Meeting - Informational
May 13-26, 2022	Curriculum materials on display at the District Office IMC for teacher, parent, and community
May 26, 2022	Board Meeting Approval

Our Pilot Team - 2021-2022

Ian Alexeeff 7 th gr	Anne Rose Dueñas 7 th gr
Christine Calverley 6 th gr	Katherine Hofman 6 th gr
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Alexander Geller 8 th gr	Amelia Hollingsworth 6 th gr
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	Leslie McMahon 6 th -8 th gr

Abbott
Bayside
Borel
Bowditch
North Shoreview

Pilot Team Recommendation

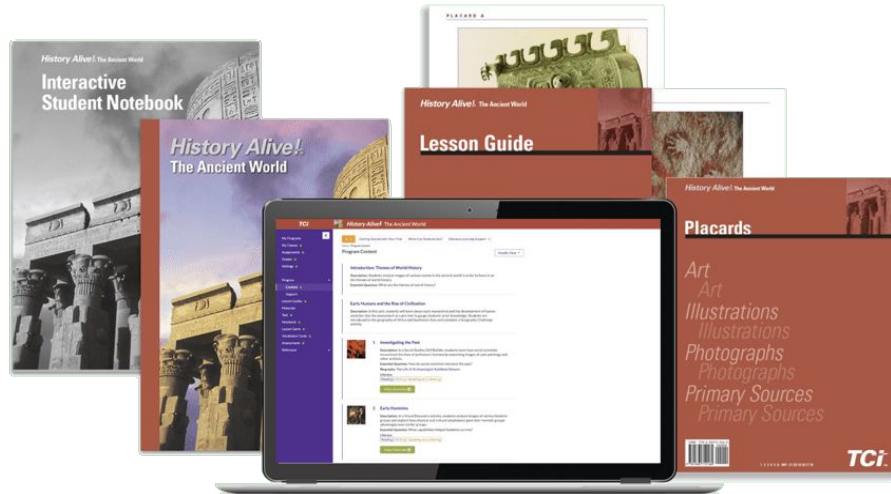
TCI - Teachers' Curriculum Institute

Program: *History Alive!*

Copyright date: 2019



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Highly Rated: Program Elements *History Alive!*

- Online Curriculum and Digital Resources
- visual, auditory, reading/writing, & kinesthetic access for multilingual learners and students with disabilities
- Customizable Formal and Informal Assessments
- Community building & inclusion activities
- Multiple perspectives throughout the text and activities
- Supports students to build historical empathy and appreciation for diverse experiences
- Students overwhelmingly enjoyed the activities and texts

Rated Highly: Culturally Responsive Content

- Integrates perspective and stories of groups that have been historically underrepresented
- Biographies include diverse historical and contemporary figures beyond those required in state standards
- Explores interrelationships between diverse groups (ethnic, gender, etc.)
- Content considers current context and poses relevant issues to explore: e.g., students learn about current events and local issues and learn how to take action

Rated Highly: Culturally Responsive Pedagogy

- Grounded in [research based theories](#) and use visual, auditory, reading/writing, & kinesthetic strategies
- Use interactive discussion and frequent questioning to engage students and build background knowledge
- Activate student prior knowledge and strive to be student-centered
- Opportunity for students to have voice and utilize their cultural assets and interests
- Include a variety of projects that allow students to make personal connections and apply learning to their community

Highly Rated: Social Emotional Learning

TCI's [Cooperative, Inclusive Classroom \(CIC\)](#) supports teachers to

- Build trust (peer to peer and student to teacher)
- Promote positive discussions that educate students on how to take thoughtful and effective action
- Organize class discussions and group projects that support safe and respectful interactions

TCI History Alive Review Resources

Resource	Description	Link
Social Studies Overview Video	A quick overview video of TCI's social studies program.	Click here
CA Middle School Reviewers' Hub	Your one-stop hub for all the resources you need to review TCI's <i>History Alive!</i> program. The hub includes lesson sample walkthroughs, product demo, and more.	Click here
TCI's Connection with the Framework	TCI's programs were created for the CA framework. This doc explains TCI's philosophy around the 4 shifts of instruction.	Click here
TCI and the Fair Act	TCI worked with our Family Coalition to show where TCI supports the FAIR Act in our MS Curriculum. Find the rubric for 8th grade here.	Click here
TCI's Guide to the HSS Toolkit	TCI has created a guide to correlating our middle school history social science programs with the HSS Toolkit. Find more here.	Click here
TCI's Commitment to Building Culturally Responsive Classrooms	See s how TCI's curriculum helps build culturally responsive classrooms.	Click here

What Did Students Think?

Direct quotes from 7th & 8th grade students that participated in the pilot:

- I thought that the text was easy to read and the format of the book was easy to follow.
- One thing I like about the TCI textbook is that they give lots of information on something another textbook would give a small blurb about. Another thing I like about the TCI textbook is that they also aren't one sided.
- What I really like about TCI is that the website is very easy to work with and simple.
- I think TCI is a really good textbook because it shows very helpful maps and diagrams that help you understand the text and what the text is trying to say in a more visible way.
- I find TCI great with good tools to use and it is very easy to understand. I never had a problem with it and honestly it's great and I'd be happy to keep using it for the rest of the school year.

Successful Implementation Requirements

- Training for Teachers and continued Professional Development throughout the use of the program
- Time for Social Studies Lead Teachers to plan and collaborate
- Create a process and a plan to provide feedback during implementation

Next Steps

- Materials Available to Public
 - Copies of *History Alive!* will be on display in the Instructional Materials Center (IMC) until the May 26th Board meeting.
- Prepare Purchase Order
 - Final costs
 - Board Action on May 26th
- Confirm Professional Development Sessions

Costs

An Eight-year Adoption/Implementation - Middle School All Grades = **\$744,980.96**

(includes the following)

- Teacher Digital Use Licenses
- Teacher Lesson Guides (printed)
- Learning Placards (printed/teachers)
- Student Textbooks (“Bundle” incl. Digital Use Licenses)
- Student Notebooks (printed subscription)
- Online Training/PD from TCI

Professional Development In-Person from TCI **\$76,500.00**

This includes the curriculum launch training for the first year, and two-days in-person PD.

Note: LCAP budgeted \$1,000,000



Questions?