Orange County Department of Education | Educational Services

Curriculum, Instruction and Academic Enrichment Unit



OC Civic Learning Institute

During the OC Civic Learning Institute, school teams of educators will broaden their understanding of the knowledge, skills, and dispositions students need to become civic-ready.

- Participants will learn how to support classroom relationships and social awareness.
- Participants will synthesize structures to encourage academic conversations.
- Participants will develop a civic engagement project for their classroom or school.

By the conclusion of the series, school teams will be equipped to pursue California Democracy School status and apply for Civic Learning Awards. Participants will be able to develop student activities to support the State Seal of Civic Engagement, including pathways for elementary and middle school students.

Participants who attend the series and share their civic learning project plan will receive an OC Civic Learning Institute Certificate.

For K-12 Teachers and Administrators

When | October 7, 2025 & October 14, 2025

Time | 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location | Orange County Department of Education

200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Building A - Boardroom

Cost | \$150

Breakfast, snacks and lunch included

Registration | http://ocde.k12oms.org/1244-263850

OC Civic Learning Celebration

For K-12 Students, Teachers, Administrators, and Civic Supporters

When | April 22, 2026

Time | 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Cost | Free

Location | Orange County Department of Education 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Building A - Boardroom

Registration | https://ocde.k12oms.org/1244-264770

