

Overheard in California...

“I think this is one of the best programs for middle school that I have ever seen. I would be really excited to see it in action in the classroom.”

Did you hear?

As part of the CA Adoption process, Amplify ELA was reviewed by a panel of 14 ELA experts including literacy experts and curriculum designers, Special Education Coordinators, language professors, instructional coaches, and middle school ELA teachers. The panel reviewed the program both for alignment with the CA CCSS for ELA and the CA standards for ELD (English Language Development). In addition, they evaluated the quality of the program based on more than 75 specific criteria. The review process took place over two months and culminated in a public deliberations process during which the panel recommended that Amplify ELA be adopted in both Program 1 (ELA) and Program 2 (ELA/ELD).

Many of the reviewers confirmed that the program was really easy to navigate and that they had few if any technical issues. More praise from members of the panel:

“There were so many times when I was just amazed at the level of expertise that went into this. The way that everything fits together..”

“The ability of a digital curriculum to be nimble is so valuable. We are using textbooks from the last adoption that are now 10 years old. And some of the science in the articles is now WRONG. Kids deserve materials that can be easily updated.”

“It’s so good. Our kids deserve this kind of material. Our teachers deserve this type of material.”

“How great is it that it is all here and it is all great and appropriate and I don’t have to go hunting for this stuff? So this is how it is supposed to be!”

“This program, because it is digital, really means that California has to change its adoption rules to allow updates and changes to be made.”

“Can we just agree that the speaking and listening components of this program are just excellent?”

