Overview

INDUSTRY
Education, K-12

PROFILE
Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) in Orlando, Florida, is the 10th largest school district in the country. The District is comprised of approximately 200 schools; 185,000 students; 12,000 teachers; and 25,000 employees.

CHALLENGE
OCPS has an extensive library of online applications delivered daily to staff and students. The District needed a more efficient solution to manage and deliver digital resources consistently.

SOLUTION
In 2014, ClassLink LaunchPad was selected by OCPS to provide a centralized portal, delivering the District’s entire library of digital resources. The solution utilizes single sign-on for all staff and students from school and home.

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Orange County Public Schools Chooses ClassLink LaunchPad to Deliver Its Entire Library of Digital Resources

LaunchPad seamlessly integrates with Active Directory, providing single sign-on to all applications, school and cloud files. The solution saves valuable instructional time and costs.

Results
Choosing ClassLink for Single Sign-On (SSO)
Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) issued an RFP seeking to solidify the usage of a Single Sign-On (SSO) solution to provide easy access to computing resources for students and staff. ClassLink submitted a proposal and was selected from several vendors. The implementation of LaunchPad was successful with strong collaboration between both OCPS and ClassLink IT teams. ClassLink’s engineering team quickly enabled single sign-on to the District’s entire library of digital resources and file access with Active Directory integration.

Initial setup was seamless and completed within 1 hour.

Any Device, Anywhere Access
OCPS has implemented BYOD and 1:1 initiatives with a plethora of devices and platforms in use throughout the District. LaunchPad is accessible on any device by staff and students at school and home. ClassLink created the OCPS LaunchPad app for the iPhone, iPad, Chrome, and the web.

Streamlined Reporting Enables Informed Spending
With LaunchPad, OCPS administrators are able to instantly view reports to monitor usage of instructional resources. With the usage reports, the District is able to make informed purchasing decisions when renewing subscription-based resources. The reports also allow administrators to identify applications that could be used more effectively with additional support and professional development.

Embracing the LTI Standard, by IMS Global
Several digital resources in use by OCPS leverage the LTI specification from IMS Global. ClassLink engineers created LTI compliant connectors to achieve “plug and play” integration. As an IMS Global Learning Consortium member, ClassLink is a leader in adopting specific IMS open standards.