SNAPSHOT OF ACADEMIC OUTCOMES
OPAL HIGH SCHOOL

SETTING
Opal High School is located in an urban center in the Pacific Northwest. 77% of its students qualify for free or reduced lunch; 6.7% are transitional bilingual, with another 13% of the students requiring special education. The demographics are described in the chart below. Opal is a one-to-one laptop school that focuses on STEM-based (science, technology, engineering, math) curriculum.

PARTICIPANTS
10th grade students who were taught a full year of Educurious English Language Arts. The teacher has a background in project-based learning and is endorsed in English Language Arts and Social Studies.

METHODS
Using the Washington State High School Proficiency Exam (HSPE), comparisons were made between Educurious and non Educurious 10th graders within the school. State assessment passing rates in reading and writing were used to make growth comparisons.

RESULTS
The Educurious students outperformed state, district and within-school trajectories for 10th graders in English Language Arts. Educurious students with a full year of coursework had a 92% passing rate in reading and writing. Teachers not teaching Educurious had passing rates of 78% in reading and 83% in writing.