Student-Centered Learning Collaborative

Get to Know Us
We are a group of state education leaders dedicated to developing life-long learners prepared for success in college, careers, and life. The Student-Centered Learning Collaborative is leading the movement to advance student-centered learning, including personalized learning, competency-based education, and social-emotional learning and academic development. Our members believe this work must be anchored in equity and have an unapologetic focus on increasing access for students who have been historically underserved.

Benefits of Our Collaborative
As a member of the Student-Centered Learning Collaborative, you are advancing learning that empowers young people with the opportunities to proactively shape and own their learning experiences. We are identifying and disseminating the best practices that create learning opportunities uniquely tailored to students’ individual strengths, needs, and interests, in order to unlock their full potential. States and their chief state school officers play a vital role in laying the foundation for a shift to a student-centered learning systems by leading the development of a vision for student-centered learning, aligning the state education agency to support that vision in an equitable manner, and engaging in progress-monitoring to track implementation. Here are a few highlights from last year’s Collaborative sessions:

• Members took a needs assessment, co-developed by CCSSO and KnowledgeWorks, to take stock of their state's capacity to support implementation of equitable, student-centered learning and identified actions steps to increase access.
• Each member developed a state equity goal for their student-centered learning work and outlined an action plan to work towards their goal for the program year state staff review the way in which their ESSA plans address ELs.

Our Focus in 2020-2021
The educational landscape has been shaken by the COVID-19 pandemic and as a result this Collaborative will share strategies to integrate trauma-informed practices and social-emotional supports into policy and practice to address student well-being. But we know that quality education can be a springboard to lifelong well-being, so we will continue to advance our mission to put student centered learning at the heart of our national education system. Our members will develop an action plan aligned to their unique vision, receive support to implement key components of the action plan, and engage in a progress-monitoring process with data at the subgroup level to track implementation and communicate effectively with stakeholders. As a member of our Collaborative, you’ll articulate your state’s vision for student-centered learning grounded in equity that drives toward a comprehensive view of what students need to be successful in a changing world.

Here’s Where You’ll Find Us
For the 2020-2021 program year, meetings will be held in-person when possible, and virtually when necessary due to safety. Any in-person meetings will also include the option to participate virtually. The Student-Centered Learning Collaborative meeting dates for this program year are:
• October 21-22, 2020
• February 23-24, 2021 (Jacksonville, FL)
• June 24-25, 2021 (Minneapolis, MN)

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