Restarting and Reinventing School for Equitable and Empowering Learning

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Such Moments Often Lead to Generational Social Changes
Key Considerations

- Yawning equity chasms that threaten major segments of society … and draw attention to systemic racism
- The largest economic disparities since 1929
- Inadequate action to address the health, safety, and economic effects of the pandemic
- Schools as one of the few safety nets in many hard-hit communities
COVID-19 Spotlights the Inequities Facing English Learner Students, as Nonprofit Organizations Seek to Address Challenges

Analysis: An old story made new again: Why students of color are primed to be left behind in the coronavirus crisis

'Going to see massive cuts': Without more coronavirus relief, schools slash budgets, prep layoffs

The pandemic’s toll: nearly 500,000 public education jobs disappeared across U.S. in April

Here's How Many Teaching Jobs Could Be Lost in Each State in a COVID-19 Recession

Learning "pods" highlight wealth disparity in education amid pandemic

A ‘Covid Slide’ Could Widen the Digital Divide for Students

As coronavirus cases rise, many school districts will begin the year with at least some online learning. Students without tech access could fall further behind.
I’m concerned about food, jobs, money, my education. Racism toward Asian Pacific Islander folks is a big concern for us too. I miss being around my friends, and I’m feeling really, really depressed, but I can’t really tell my family.

—Oakland Student

“Reinventing school means focusing on authentic learning and equity and harnessing the knowledge of human development, learning, and effective teaching accumulated over the last century and needed for the next.”
Framework for Restarting & Reinventing School

1. Close the digital divide
2. Strengthen distance and blended learning
3. Assess what students need
4. Ensure supports for social and emotional learning
5. Redesign schools for stronger relationships
6. Emphasize authentic, culturally-responsive learning
7. Provide expanded learning time
8. Establish community schools and wraparound supports
9. Prepare educators for reinventing schools
10. Leverage more adequate and equitable school funding
Getting Back to School

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Transforming Teaching and Learning

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6. Emphasize authentic, culturally-responsive learning

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Rethinking Time and Resources

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Reprioritize. This is the time to see if something can be different. To reset the system, we have to take a loss, but we can recoup the loss if we actually get kids excited about education and create a more positive space for them to learn.”

—Michelle Ampong
Atlanta parent and school volunteer
Panel Discussion and Q&A

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