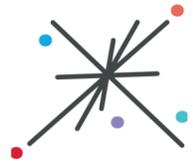
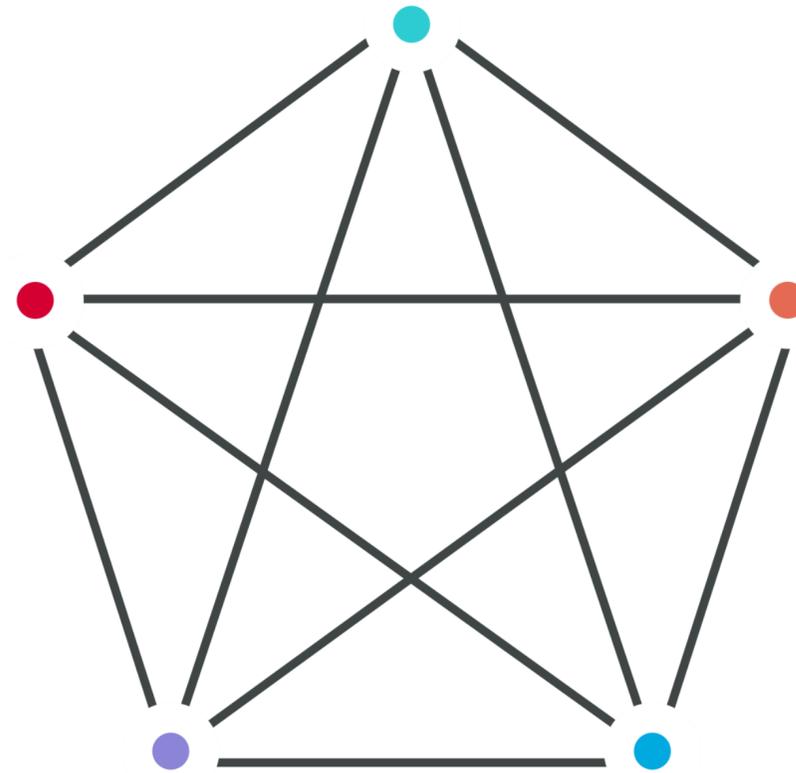


From: School-Centered	To: Learner-Centered
Learning happens in schools.	Learning happens in community.
Education is done to the learner.	Education is done by (and with) the learner.
Learners are known by how they compare to their ^[L] _[SEP] class averages on standardized tests.	Learners are known as individuals—each with their ^[L] _[SEP] own unique strengths, interests, and goals.
Learners must be compelled to perform.	Learners want to learn.
Focus on having the most effective teaching.	Focus on having the most effective learning.
The learner adapts to the standardized system.	The system adapts to the unique learner.
Effectiveness is achieved through standardization.	Effectiveness is achieved through customization.
All learners follow standard paths at standard paces ^[L] _[SEP] and demonstrate mastery in standardized ways.	Each learner moves on their own path at an appropriate and adaptable pace and can demonstrate proficiency in many ways.
Teach to the average learner and manage exceptions ^[L] _[SEP] as problems.	Every learner is exceptional. The uniqueness of learners ^[L] _[SEP] is not a problem but, instead, something to build on.



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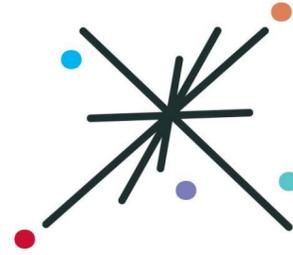
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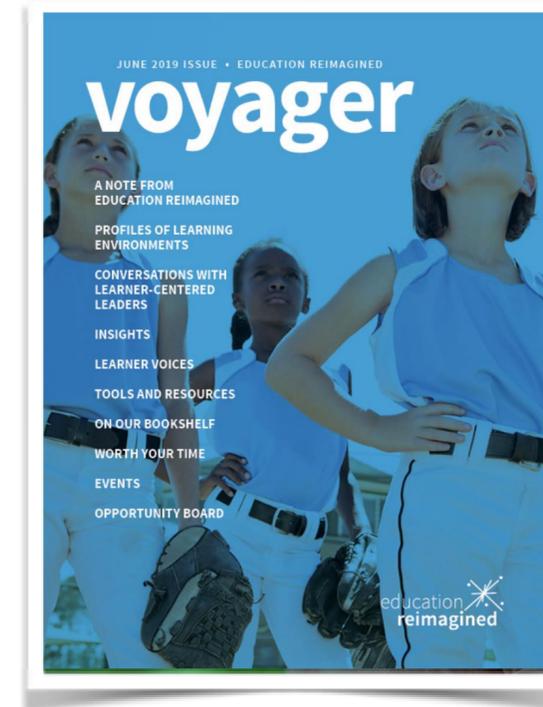
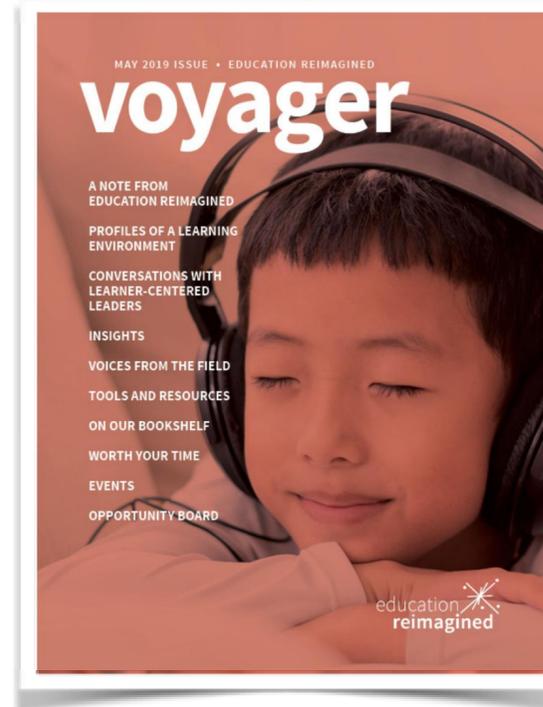
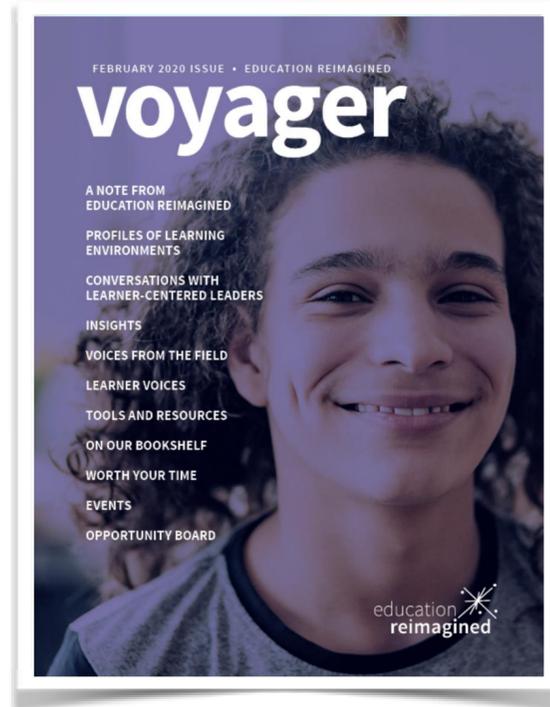
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System Alignment

Aligning Accountability Programs with the Directional System

Direction = Compliance Accountability = Test-Based	Direction = Compliance Accountability = Engagement
Direction = Engagement Accountability = Test-Based	Direction = Engagement Accountability = Student-Benefit and Community-Based

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