

THE BELE NETWORK DIRECTORY



The Building Equitable Learning Environments (BELE) Network is a growing consortium of research organizations, foundations, education intermediaries and their district networks – each working to increase adult capacities to build conditions and practices that fundamentally transform the experiences and learning outcomes of every young person in our public education system.

Over the last five years these partners and collaborators have contributed to the development of the [BELE Framework](#) and [BELE Library of Resources](#). We share a bold vision of thriving youth, families, caregivers, and communities – and of education systems that foster academic, social, emotional, and cognitive growth and well-being for all.

BUILDING ASSETS, REDUCING RISK

Building Assets, Reducing Risk (BARR) is a strengths-based model that provides K-12 schools with a comprehensive approach to meeting the academic, social, and emotional needs of all students.

Services: BARR works with partner districts to implement this model within schools through an on-site BARR coordinator, trainings, student and staff cohorts, and more.

LEARN MORE: BARRCENTER.ORG

COMMUNITY RESPONSIVE EDUCATION

Community Responsive Education (CRE) transforms climates, cultures, and curriculum to prioritize youth wellness through a focus on three domains of pedagogical practice: relationships, relevance, and responsibility.

Services: CRE's work includes curriculum development; leadership coaching and training; and pedagogical/methodological development workshops that include storytelling, critical performance, and participatory action research.

LEARN MORE: COMMUNITYRESPONSIVE.ORG

COLLABORATIVE FOR ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING

The Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL) supports states, districts, and schools to ensure SEL is a priority in every school. CASEL's mission is to help make evidence-based SEL an integral part of education from preschool through high school.

Services: CASEL works with educators at all levels to ensure a systemic approach to SEL. Through research-practice partnerships, coaching, year-long fellowships, professional learning engagements and consultation, CASEL helps to bring to life this vision for SEL.

LEARN MORE: WWW.CASEL.ORG

EDUCATIONCOUNSEL

EducationCounsel is a mission-based education consulting firm that combines experience in policy, strategy, law, and advocacy to drive improvements in the U.S. education system.

Services: EducationCounsel works with clients from the conception of their goals through efforts to build consensus and create implementation plans to actualize them, providing ongoing counsel to address the complexities of the laws, policies, and stakeholders at all levels.

LEARN MORE: EDUCATIONCOUNSEL.COM

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EL EDUCATION

EL Education partners with public schools and districts to pair resources and practices with professional development to achieve the greatest results for students and teachers.

Services: EL provides language arts curricula and curriculum services, research-based school design practices, personalized coaching, leadership development, and professional development for teachers and leaders.

LEARN MORE: ELEDUCATION.ORG

KINGMAKERS OF OAKLAND

Kingmakers of Oakland (KOO) is a social enterprise committed to transforming education systems by designing and implementing conditions and culture that improve educational and life outcomes for Black students.

Services: KOO works with districts to create and implement effective systems, structures, conditions, and culture for Black males to thrive. These district support services are informed by a liberatory design process that is grounded in racial equity and operates at the intersection of technical and adaptive change.

LEARN MORE: KINGMAKERSOFOAKLAND.ORG

NATIONAL EQUITY PROJECT

The National Equity Project (NEP) is a leadership and systems change organization committed to increasing the capacity of people to achieve thriving, self-determining, educated, and just communities.

Services: NEP designs, manages, and documents the process of implementing a two-year district network in service of creating learning environments in which every young person learns, grows, thrives and generates focal stories that can be used to push for systemic change nationally.

LEARN MORE:
WWW.NATIONALEQUITYPROJECT.ORG

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY SCHOOLS

Equal Opportunity Schools (EOS) partners with schools to promote students of color and low-income student enrollment and success in academically rigorous high school courses.

Services: EOS provides management consulting to over 100 school districts across the country to gather context and examine data, create strategies and goals, enroll diverse students in AP/IB classes, and monitor growing equitable AP/IB programs.

LEARN MORE: EOSCHOOLS.ORG

MARSHALL STREET AT SUMMIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Marshall develops solutions to locally-felt, globally-evident problems in America's public education system so that every student has the opportunity to pursue a fulfilled life.

Services: Marshall's services include a one year pre-service Teacher Residency preparation program in California, resources for parents looking to support their children's development and learning needs at home, and support for leaders who are developing equity-centered initiatives.

LEARN MORE: WWW.MARSHALL.ORG

PROJECT FOR EDUCATION RESEARCH THAT SCALES

The Project for Education Research That Scales (PERTS) equips educators to create engaging and equitable learning experiences that enable every student to thrive in school and beyond.

Services: Tools developed by PERTS help educators assess the need, effectiveness, and impact of key learning conditions in schools and then use that knowledge to create engaging and equitable learning conditions so that effective approaches can be studied, celebrated, and replicated.

LEARN MORE: WWW.PERTS.NET

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TRANSCEND EDUCATION

Transcend Education supports communities to create and spread extraordinary, equitable learning environments.

Services: Transcend provides school communities with iterative, research-backed, R&D capacity and puts communities in the driver's seat of their design journeys, generating unique school designs that are contextually relevant to the local community.

LEARN MORE: WWW.TRANSCENDEducation.ORG

UCHICAGO CONSORTIUM ON SCHOOL RESEARCH - EQUITABLE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The UChicago Consortium on School Research's Equitable Learning & Development Group (ELDG) conducts and translates academic research for an educator audience.

Services: The Consortium's ELDG works with organizations, educational leaders, principals, teachers, and students to identify how best to transform schools into joyous, intellectually challenging, and equitable learning environments for young people.

LEARN MORE: CONSORTIUM.UCHICAGO.EDU

UMOJA

Umoja is a national social impact organization that invests in sustainable and wellness-rooted adult learning, practices, and mindsets by equipping a community of adults who are prepared to do the ongoing work required to dismantle and rebuild a safe, equitable and just society.

Services: Umoja's trainings, workshops, consultation and coaching address the desire to create a whole-school SEL environment. Umoja also provides an equity-centered approach to post-secondary prep, transition, and academic reflection.

LEARN MORE: UMOJACOMMUNITY.ORG

TURNAROUND FOR CHILDREN

Turnaround helps educators create learning environments that intentionally promote whole-child development.

Services: Turnaround translates scientific knowledge about how children develop and learn into integrated knowledge, practical tools, and strategies that enable every child to reach their full potential.

LEARN MORE: TURNAROUNDUSA.ORG

UCHICAGO NETWORK FOR COLLEGE SUCCESS

The UChicago Network for College Success (NCS) works with Chicago Public Schools in multi-year partnerships to provide professional learning, job-embedded coaching, and ongoing supports and resources.

Services: NCS uses research to design and facilitate professional learning that builds the capacity of school leaders and educators to help all students attain high levels of academic achievement.

LEARN MORE: NCS.UCHICAGO.EDU

WE ARE RALLY

We Are RALLY is an issues-driven communications firm that takes on sticky political and social problems and finds ways to push them forward.

Services: RALLY partners with the BELE Network to build comms capacity across network partners through storytelling, messaging development, website management, resource creation, earned and owned media engagement, and network-wide trainings.

LEARN MORE: WEARERALLY.COM

ESSENTIAL ACTION EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Essential Actions

BELE Network Members

	Redesign Teaching & Learning to Transform Students' Daily Experiences	Redesign Systems & Structures to Create Conditions for Thriving	Center & Share Power with BIPOC Youth	Center & Share Power with BIPOC Families/ Caregivers & Community Organizations	Invest in & Collaborate with Educators & Staff	Review & Respond to Data on Experience, Learning, & Well-being	Leverage Policy & Allocate Resources for Equity & Well-being
BARR	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
CASEL	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
CRE	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
EdCounsel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
EL Education	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
EOS	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
Kingmakers of Oakland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Marshall Street	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
NEP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
PERTS	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Transcend	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
Turnaround for Children	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
UChicago Consortium	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
UChicago NCS	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Umoja	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
We Are RALLY	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes

