

UNITED WE LEARN

WHAT IS UNITED WE LEARN?

Students across Kentucky are growing up in a globally interconnected world that is accelerating in competitiveness and possibility. Kentucky's children will only realize their full potential if we can ensure high-quality learning experiences that meet the needs of all students.



United We Learn is our vision for the future of public education in Kentucky. This vision builds around three big ideas: creating more **vibrant learning experiences for students, encouraging innovation in our schools** – especially when it comes to assessment, and creating stronger **collaborations with our communities**. *United We Learn* means everyone in our Commonwealth – educators, families, community members and business leaders – working together to support our public schools in bringing about deep and authentic learning experiences for all students.

HOW WILL WE REALIZE THIS VISION?

Opportunities to engage communities and create deep and meaningful learning experiences for students abound in our Commonwealth. Every district, school and community is important to bringing the *United We Learn* vision to life. This is how the three big ideas of *United We Learn* appear in the work of KDE and across the Commonwealth:

Vibrant student experiences

focus on bringing about deep and authentic approaches to learning that spark curiosity, motivation and engagement on an individual level. This will help us create lifelong learners prepared to confront not only the challenges and demands of today, but be ready to step up and lead the world of tomorrow.

Encouraging innovation

in our schools means building a culture that embraces new and different approaches to learning and assessments. Students will be encouraged to answer questions such as “*How can I solve this problem?*” and “*Is there a better way?*” Measures of success should be based on whether students are prepared for life after graduation.

Collaboration with our communities

means bringing families, educators, community members and business leaders together to create learning opportunities. All of our districts are doing this to some extent - some extremely well - but we have an opportunity to better support well-rounded students through expanded partnerships, internships and deeper engagement.

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