As we recently shared in “Three Jobs That Matter for School Communities Navigating a COVID World,” school communities everywhere are contending with the massive and unprecedented disruption of this pandemic. As a system leader or school leader, you and your team have undoubtedly been working heroically to respond to the crisis. As you move from “response” into “recovery” mode, you—and every school community—will confront an important choice: do you recover in ways that allow you to restart what you were doing pre-COVID, or do you recover in ways that reinvent aspects of your design? For communities seeking the latter, Transcend has developed a set of supports called “Recovery to Reinvention.”

Who Are These Supports For?
Our supports are geared toward system leaders and school leaders who are working together with their communities to get back on their feet and reinvent the future of schooling.

What Will These Supports Help You Do?
Our supports will help you and your communities:

1. **Quickly take stock** and reflect together on what’s happened, who has been affected, what’s been tried and learned, and what challenges lie ahead. This will help you prioritize what needs and opportunities will be most important to tackle.

2. **Develop a practical reentry plan** that tends to the immediate needs of students, families, and staff over the summer and heading back into the fall.

3. **Design and implement a model of school for the coming year** that supports your full set of priorities, including academic needs, social-emotional learning, trauma response, and all other elements that matter to your system or school. Your model will build on all that you already do well and will account for priorities and uncertainties borne out of COVID.

4. **Implement processes to proactively assess, strengthen, and adjust your design** and implementation throughout the year, based on what’s working and the changing realities around you.

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How Does It Work?

There are three aspects to our support offerings: the Recovery-to-Reinvention Playbook, a Repository of Models and Solutions, and a National Network of Schools and Experts. These three aspects of our offering are most powerful when used all together, but we know that every system and school is unique, so you are free to mix and match to create the combination that best fits your needs.

**RECOVERY-TO-REINVENTION PLAYBOOK**
Our playbook supports you in every step of the way through the process described above. We can directly support your system or school to go through this process—and customize it for what you’re already doing—through direct coaching and support or light-touch advising with you and your team. Alternatively, you can use the playbook on your own in more self-directed ways.

**REPOSITORY OF MODELS AND SOLUTIONS**
No one has the time to build everything from scratch, especially under the pressures of a crisis. That’s why we’re building a repository of models and solutions that others have developed and tested all across the country. Organized by age level and subjects, this repository is easily searchable and includes models that support personalization, foster whole-child development, develop agency, and allow learning to happen anytime and anywhere.

**NATIONAL NETWORK OF SCHOOLS AND EXPERTS**
We have heard from many school and system leaders that there is a hunger to stay connected. Plugging into the Transcend Design Community allows you to reach, ask questions of, and collaborate with like-minded education leaders and experts from all across the country. It also keeps you aware of key trends, developments, learning opportunities, and resources that are unfolding in real time. It’s easy to join and connect.

What Does It Cost?

Transcend is a nonprofit organization. We are 100% mission-driven and recognize that, especially now, schools are under tremendous financial pressure. The self-directed version of our offering is free, thanks to generous philanthropic support. If you are interested in direct coaching support or lighter-touch advising, we will work to develop a plan that meets your needs.

Why Transcend?

Transcend supports communities to create and spread extraordinary, equitable learning environments. For the past five years, we’ve partnered with leaders in visionary districts, charters, independents, and nontraditional learning environments throughout the US. Learn more on our website.

Curious to start a conversation? Email explore@transcendeducation.org.