

#### SYMPOSIUM BREAKOUT SESSION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022 | 12:00-1:00 PM ET

### Making Learning Student-Centered in Michigan: Challenges, Advice, and Supports Needed

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### MVLRI Student-Centered Learning Research

- [2020] <u>Student-Centered Learning: In Principle and in Practice</u>
- [2021] <u>Student-Centered Learning In Michigan K-12 Schools: Factors that Impact Successful Implementation</u>
- [2022] Empowering Teachers and Capturing Kids' Hearts®: The Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium, and Keweenaw's Journey Toward Student-Centered Learning
- [2022] Through Community and Culture, Oxford Community Schools Makes
   Learning Student-Centered
- [2022] <u>Programs, Pathways, and Proficiency Scales Anchor Student-Centered</u>
   <u>Learning at Berrien Springs Public Schools</u>
- [2020-2021] <u>Student-Centered Learning blog series</u>





### Michigan Virtual Strategic Plan



### **Enable Flexible Learning Models for Michigan Schools**

Redesign and Scale Professional Learning for Michigan

**Inspire Innovation in Learning and Teaching** 

<u>Understanding Inequity in Michigan K-12 Online</u> <u>Education</u> (*Michigan-specific*)

<u>Educators' Perceptions of Online SEL Professional</u> <u>Learning Courses</u> (Michigan-specific)

Student-Centered Learning (Michigan-specific)

Recruitment and Retention of Online Teachers (National)

Michigan's K-12 Virtual Learning Effectiveness Report, 2020-21 (Michigan-specific)





## 2021-2022 Student-Centered Learning Case Studies

### Michigan School Districts

#### **Research Questions:**

- 1. What practical strategies are teachers using to implement student-centered learning in their K-12 classrooms?
- 2. How are teachers' student-centered learning efforts supported at the building and district levels?
- 3. How do student-centered practices impact student learning, student engagement, and student achievement?





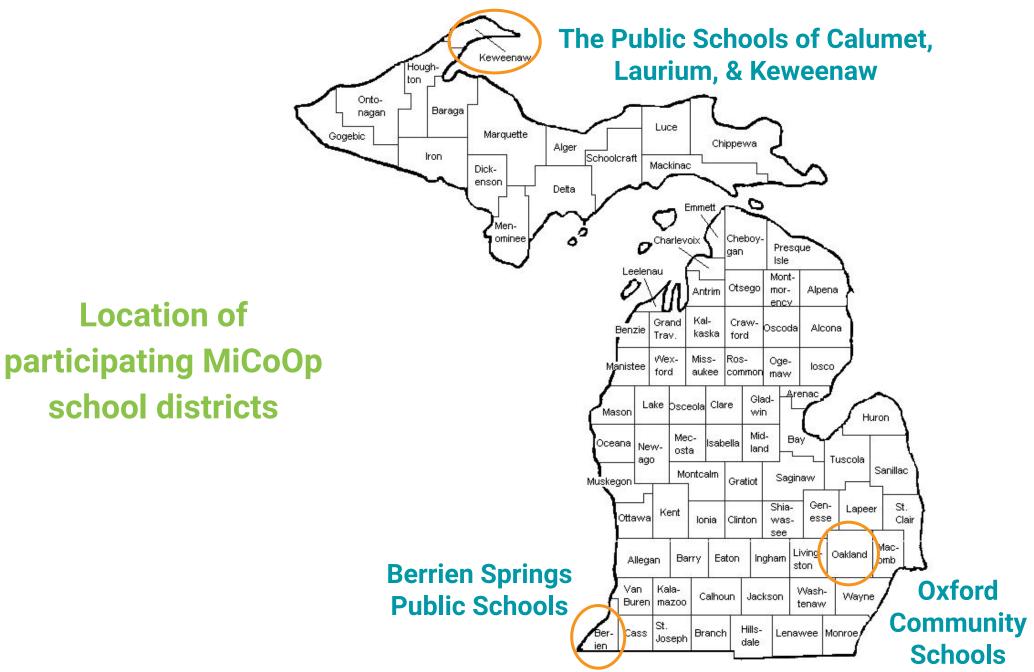
## 2021-2022 Student-Centered Learning Case Studies

### Michigan School Districts

### Methodology:

- Partnership with the Michigan CoOp
   (MiCoOp), a network of school districts
   that are early adopters of
   student-centered learning
  - Berrien Springs Public Schools
  - Oxford Community Schools
  - The Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium, & Keweenaw
- School districts in varying stages of SCL implementation
- School districts are demographically and geographically diverse







**Location of** 

### **Student-Centered Learning Case Studies**



### **Findings**:

- Standards-based grading and proficiency scales help schools move towards competency-based education
- A portrait of a graduate provides a guiding vision for school districts
- Personalize professional development
- Community connection: virtual programming and homeschool partnership programs - meet the diverse needs of students and families
- Project-based learning and flexible pathways
- Multi-age classrooms make it your own
- Student focus groups it IS making an impact on students





### Programs Anchor Student-Centered Learning at Berrien Springs Public Schools

### **Programs**

- Traditional Instructional Models
- Non-Traditional Instructional Models
  - Virtual Learning Models
  - Blended Learning Models
  - Virtual Alternative Models
- Parent Partnerships
  - Homeschool Models



### Pathways and Proficiency Scales Anchor Student Centered Learning at Berrien Springs Public Schools

### **Pathways**

- Career Pathways
  - "World of Work"
  - Exploration of Career Interests
  - Apprenticeship Program

### **Scales**

- Essential Standards, Learning Targets & Proficiency Scales (Marzano)
- Balance Assessment Approach (Testing for Learning vs. of Learning)
- QRT Quality Review Teams



### Empowering Teachers and Capturing Kids' Hearts®: The Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium, and Keweenaw's Journey Toward Student-Centered Learning

#### **Personalized Learning**

**Standards Based** 

**Consistent & Aligned Curriculum** 

**High Quality Classroom Instruction** 

Safe & Collaborative Learning Environment

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- Non-Traditional Learning Models
  - Virtual Learning
  - Blended Learning
  - Alternative Learning
  - Multi-age Learning
  - Homeschool Partnership Learning



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#### Social-Emotional

- Handle with Care
- Therapy Dog Program
- School Social Workers & School Counselors
- 31n Staff
- Stress Level Reporting
- Food Pantries
- Clothing Closets
- Capturing Kids' Hearts®

#### Academics

- Micro-School
- Flex Lab
- Project- and Experiential-Based Learning
- Work Based Learning

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# Questions



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