# **Notice of Contract Purchase Agreement**



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MPA-598 K-12 School and Higher Education **Reopening Plan Consulting Services** Award Number 3726145 Revision Number 0 10-JUN-2021 -Effective Period 09-JUN-2022 14-JUN-2021 Approved PO Date Vendor Number 1018

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This Purchase Order is issued pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the solicitation and applicable federal, state, and local law, including the State of Rhode Island's General Conditions of Purchase which are incorporated herein by reference contain specific contract terms applicable to this Purchase Order. See: https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/220-30-00-13

TERMS:

JUNE 11, 2021 - JUNE 09, 2022 WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR EXTENSION TO BE EXERCISED AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

K-12 SCHOOL AND HIGHER EDUCATION REOPENING PLAN CONSULTING SERVICES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF RFP OEV21000563.

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THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PURCHASE https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/220-30-00-13

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Reference Documents: 3726145 Rhode Island SOW\_WestEd\_Signed 06-22-21.pdf 3726145 Preliminary\_DraftScopeofWork\_ WestEd\_rev06-14-21\_ODCs\_FIN AL (002).pdf

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### **Contract Terms and Conditions**

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#### **Terms and Conditions**

### PURCHASE ORDER STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THIS PURCHASE ORDER

### CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMPLIANCE

**<u>CAMPAIGN FINANCE</u>**: In accordance with RI General Law 17-27-2, Every person or business entity providing goods or services of \$5,000 or more, and has in the preceding 24 months, contributed an aggregate amount in excess of \$250 within a calendar year to any general officer, or candidate for general office, any member, or candidate for general assembly, or political party, is required to electronically file an affidavit regarding political contributions at: https://secure.ricampaignfinance.com/RhodeIslandCF/Public/VendorAffidavit.aspx

### ARRA SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For contracts and sub-awards funded in whole or in part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto, such contracts and sub-awards shall be subject to the Supplemental Terms and Conditions For Contracts and Sub-awards Funded in Whole or in Part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto located on the Division of Purchases website at <u>www.purchasing.ri.gov</u>.

#### **DIVESTITURE OF INVESTMENTS IN IRAN REQUIREMENT:**

No vendor engaged in investment activities in Iran as described in R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2.5-2(b) may submit a bid proposal to, or renew a contract with, the Division of Purchases. Each vendor submitting a bid proposal or entering into a renewal of a contract is required to certify that the vendor does not appear on the list maintained by the General Treasurer pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2.5-3.

For all Purchase Orders issued on behalf of the University of Rhode Island, Community College of Rhode Island, and Rhode Island College, vendors will receive a confirming order from the respective entity prior to proceeding.

### MASTER PRICE AGREEMENT CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

In 2017 the General Assembly amended the "State Purchases Act", R. I. Gen. Laws § 37-2-12 (b) to authorize the Chief Purchasing Officer to establish, charge and collect from vendors listed on master price agreements ("MPA") a contract administrative fee not to exceed one percent (1%) of the total value of the annual spend against their MPA contracts. All contract administrative fees collected from MPA vendors shall be deposited into a restricted receipt account which shall be used for the purposes of implementing and maintaining an online eProcurement system and other costs related to State procurement. In accordance with this legislative initiative the Division of Purchases is upgrading the State procurement system through the purchase and installation of an eProcurement system.

The contract administrative fee shall be applicable to all purchase orders issued relative to State MPA contracts. Therefore, effective January 1, 2020 all MPA contracts shall be assessed the 1% contract administrative fee.

#### MPA BID AWARD (STATEWIDE APPLICABILITY)

STATEWIDE APPLICABILITY - Political Subdivisions (cities, towns, schools, quasi-public agencies), as authorized by law, may participate in this Agreement. All ordering and billing shall be between the vendor and the political subdivision (only).

### **BLANKET PAYMENT**

DELIVERY OF GOODS OR SERVICES AS REQUESTED BY AGENCY. PAYMENTS WILL BE AUTHORIZED UPON SUBMISSION OF PROPERLY RENDERED INVOICES NO MORE THAN MONTHLY TO THE RECEIVING AGENCY. ANY UNUSED BALANCE AT END OF BLANKET PERIOD IS AUTOMATICALLY CANCELLED.

### EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE

THIS PURCHASE ORDER IS AWARDED SUBJECT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE.

### PURCHASE AGREEMENT AWARD

THIS IS A NOTICE OF AWARD, NOT AN ORDER. Any quantity reference in the agreement or in the bid preceding it are estimates only and do not represent a commitment on the part of the state to any level of billing activity, other than for quantities or volumes specifically released during the term. No action is to be taken except as specifically authorized, as described herein under AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE. ENTIRE AGREEMENT - This NOTICE OF AWARD, with all attachments, and any release(s) against it shall be subject to: (1) the specifications, terms and conditions set forth in the Request/Bid Number cited herein, (2) the General Terms and Conditions of Contracts for the State of Rhode Island and (3) all provisions of, and the Rules and Regulations promulgated pursuant to, Title 37, Chapter 2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island. This NOTICE shall constitute the entire agreement between the State of Rhode Island and the Vendor. No assignment of rights or responsibility will be permitted except with the express written permission of the State Purchasing Agent or his designee. CANCELLATION, TERMINATION and EXTENSION - This Price Agreement shall automatically terminate as of the date(s) described under CONTRACT PERIOD unless this Price Agreement is altered by formal amendment by the State Purchasing Agent or his designee upon mutual agreement between the State and the Vendor.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PRICING AGREEMENT

<u>SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS</u> - This Agreement covers requirements as described herein, ordered by State agencies during the Agreement Period. No additional or alternative requirements are covered, unless added to the Agreement by formal amendment by the State Purchasing Agent or his designee.</u>

Under State Purchasing Law, 37-2-54, no purchase or contract shall be binding on the state or any agency thereof unless approved by the department [of administration] or made under general regulations which the chief purchasing officer may prescribe. Under State Purchasing Regulation 8.2.1.1.2, any alleged oral agreement or arrangements made by a bidder or contractor with any agency or an employee of the Office of Purchases may be disregarded and shall not be binding on the state.

**<u>PRODUCT ACCEPTANCE</u>** - All merchandise offered or otherwise provided shall be new, of prime manufacture, and of first quality unless otherwise specified by the State. The State reserves the right to reject all nonconforming goods, and to cause their return for credit or replacement, at the State's option.

b) Formal or informal acceptance by the State of non-conforming goods shall not constitute a precedent for successive receipts or procurements.

Where the vendor fails to cure the defect promptly or replace the goods, the State reserves the right to cancel the Release, contract with a different vendor, and to invoice the original vendor for any differential in price over the original contract price.

ORDER AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE AGAINST PRICING AGREEMENT

In no event shall the Vendor deliver goods or provide service until such time as a duly authorized release document is certified by the ordering Agency.

#### <u>State Agencies shall request release as follows: All releases shall reference the Price Agreement number, the</u> <u>Contract Issue number, the item(s) covered, and the unit pricing in the same format as described herein.</u>

A Department Purchase Order (DPO) listing the items ordered shall be created by the agency. The agency may mail or fax a copy of the order to the Vendor. In some cases the agency may request delivery by telephone, but must provide the Vendor with a DPO Order Number reference for billing purposes. Vendors are encouraged to require written orders to assure payments are processed accurately and promptly.

**DELIVERY** If this is an MPA, Vendor will obtain "ship to" information from each participating agency. This information will be contained in the DPO. APA delivery information will be contained in the Notice of Award.

**<u>PRICING</u>** - All pricing shall be as described herein, and is considered to be fixed and firm for the term of the Agreement, unless specifically noted to the contrary herein. All prices include prepaid freight. Freight, taxes, surcharges, or other additional charges will not be honored unless reflected herein.

**INVOICING** All invoices shall reference the DPO Order Number(s), Price Agreement number, the Contract Issue number, the item(s) covered, and the unit pricing in the same format as described herein. If this is an MPA, Vendor will obtain "bill to" information from each participating agency. This information will be contained in the DPO. APA billing information will be contained in the Notice of Award.

**<u>PAYMENT</u>** - Invoices for items not received, not priced according to contract or for work not yet performed will not be honored. No payment will be processed to any vendor for whom there is no IRS W-9 on file with the State Controller.

# Education Support: Scope of Work - West Ed

### 1. Program Analysis and Evaluation: Higher Education

Consultant will conduct a needs assessment and review of current plans for in person reopening and maintaining operational strategies at state colleges and universities, given the entity's size, student body makeup, commuter population, participation rate in sports and extracurriculars, and operating policies and regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, considerations of pooled COVID-19 testing. Consultant will assemble a small panel, including both researchers and practitioners, to develop a typology of interventions needed to support in person learning while managing the COVID-19 virus. If there are two to three or more interventions that are being implemented in multiple municipalities, have sufficient enrollment, and for which there is a credible comparison group, Consultant will evaluate and monitor the outcomes. If it is determined that an evaluation is not possible due to numbers or implementation decisions, then the Consultant will provide guidance on what is needed in future iterations for an evaluation to be possible and ongoing supports needed. Consultant will also provide case studies of best practices in RI.

- 2. <u>Equity Review and Initiatives.</u> Consultant will conduct an equity review to examine the impact of learning loss on the most vulnerable students across PK-12 in the state. The review will encompass a review of key programs across the state and within municipalities to provide recommendations for equity-focused strategies for recovery efforts.
- 3. <u>Metrics and Accountability of Outcomes.</u> Consultant will develop key metrics, aligned to the <u>RI Department of Education's Learning, Equity, and Accelerated Pathway (LEAP) report</u>, to monitor program execution and outcomes, including a process for monitoring implementation of PK-12 reopening plans and innovations in education policy and practice in the state and municipalities. Consultant will build a custom RI-specific dashboard to monitor and publicly report out on progress toward key outcome metrics. Consultant will review progress with relevant RI government entities during project management meetings and as requested.

Signature: Lawren Wrotmine Date: Jun 22, 2021



# Office of Governor Dan McKee Education Support: Preliminary Draft Scope of Work – West Ed Revised: June 14, 2021

# Task 1. Program Analysis and Evaluation: Higher Education

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### Timeline Activity 1.1 Conduct a needs assessment and review of current July-Aug 2021 plans for in-person reopening and maintaining operational strategies, including: • Conduct a Landscape Review, to include current plans, website materials, school population information, etc. Identify and interview key informants for gaps in information (guided conversations) • Consider quick response web-survey to assess attitudes and concerns • Formulate recommendations in brief report/memo Coordinate with the Governor's Office, RIDE, RIPOC, RIC, URI, CCRI and the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner in carrying out these activities **1.2** Assemble and facilitate a steering committee inclusive July-Aug 2021 of researchers, practitioners and stakeholders across RI agencies and WestEd/PHI staff to guide direction of work

## Proposed Task 1 Workplan:



<ul> <li>Identify and recruit panel knowledgeable about RI, including education practitioners and researchers – e.g., Governor's Office, RIDE, RIPOC, RIC/URI/CCRI staff, WestEd/PHI staff and experts</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Consult with steering committee panel to:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Develop intervention typology – share needs</li> </ul>	
assessment, review best practices, CDC and DOE guidance	
<ul> <li>Create recommendations to support in-person</li> </ul>	
learning (primary and secondary interventions)	
and virus management (secondary and tertiary	
interventions)	
<ul> <li>Assess feasibility of proposed interventions</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Identify possible evaluation metrics for each</li> </ul>	
intervention	
1.3 Identify potential interventions for study	Aug-Sep 2021
<ul> <li>Review best practices and set expectations for tried</li> </ul>	
interventions	
• Develop case studies specific to RI best practices	
• Identify gaps in existing interventions and develop	
improvements specific to RI landscape review	
Recommend interventions to include M&E metrics as	
identified by steering committee panel	

## Estimated Task 1 Cost

The estimated number of labor hours to complete Task 1 is:

- 840 hours for PHI x \$209 fully loaded blended rate = **\$175,560**\*
- 473.5 hours for WestEd x \$140.65 fully loaded blended rate = \$66,594
- Total =\$254,607\*total

# Other Direct Costs

• \*The Agency's indirect cost rate (overhead rate) is negotiated with its cognizant agency, the United States Department of Education. WestEd's 2021 indirect rate is 14.0%. For each subcontractor, indirect is charged on the first \$25,000 each year. The total indicated above includes this cost.

# Total Estimated Task 1 Labor + ODC costs = \$254,607



## **Task 2. Equity Review and Initiatives**

Consultant will conduct an equity review to examine the impact of learning loss on the most vulnerable students across PK-12 in the state. The review will encompass a review of key programs across the state and within municipalities to provide recommendations for equity-focused strategies for recovery efforts.

## Proposed Task 2 Workplan

Activity	Timeline
2.1 Equity review planning	July 2021
<ul> <li>2.1 Equity review planning         <ul> <li>Consult with RIDE and Governor's Office leaders to confirm                 <ul> <li>focus questions for equity review</li> <li>key outcomes of interest to examine in equity review (e.g., student metrics related to achievement/performance, attendance/engagement, well-being/mental health outcomes, access to out of school time/extended learning opportunities, access to advanced coursework and CTE, access to effective/experienced teachers)</li> <li>Conduct a data inventory of available data sets, including data availability over time, aligned to each outcome of interest, and potential stakeholder engagement data</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>	
<ul> <li>school/district accountability data, stakeholder data from LEAP report development</li> <li>Conduct an inventory of current programming aligned to the outcomes of interest (e.g., extended learning time programming, advanced coursework network, mental health/wellbeing supports, engagement/attendance supports, etc.)</li> <li>Consult with project leadership to confirm equity review plan, timeline, and key milestones in consultation with RI Governor's Office</li> <li>Consult with a team of WestEd subject matter experts in the areas of student learning, student well-being, student attendance, educator talent, vulnerable populations, access to learning opportunities, and equity to finalize equity review plans</li> </ul>	



<b>Note</b> : Availability of data over time, and access/ quality/ consistency of data sets will impact the amount of time and	
effort required to conduct this analysis. WestEd will consult	
with RI agencies to determine the best balance between	
reviewing robust data sets and accessibility/timelines to meet	
project needs and goals.	
2.2 Quantitative & qualitative data collection and analysis	
Collect, clean and analyze extant publicly available     July-Aug 202	21
datasets	
Submit data request (or data sharing agreement as     July 2021	
needed) for other datasets as appropriate (includes data	
request for 2.4)	
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<ul> <li>Conduct descriptive analysis to identify equity gaps in each of the identified areas of interest and disaggregate</li> </ul>	1
by race, income, Multilingual learner status, differently-	
abled student status (and other variables as	
appropriate), at the state and LEA level	
Identify gaps in available programming to support     addressing improvements in outcomes of interest     Aug-Sep 202	1
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2.3 Stakeholder data interpretation sessions	
• Finalize stakeholder engagement plan to include July 2021	
engagement of RI education stakeholders in data	
interpretation sessions to review and interpret early	
equity review findings, uncover root causes, and identify	
potential recommendations	
Conduct stakeholder outreach and scheduling     Aug 2021	
Develop stakeholder engagement data interpretation     Aug 2021	
protocols	
• Facilitate series of up to 5 data interpretation sessions Oct 2021	
with RI stakeholders in role-alike groups (e.g.,	
administrators through RI School Superintendents	
Association (RISSA) and RI Association of School	
Principals (RIASP), school committee members and	
community leaders through RI Association of School	
Committees (RIASC) and the Governor's Workforce	
Board (GWB), students through Student Advisory	
Council to the Council on Elementary and Secondary	
Education, Young Voices, and the Providence Student	
Union, parents through RI PTA And RI Parent	
Information Network (RIPIN), Teachers through	
teachers unions, teacher of the year network, RI	
educators of color, or others as appropriate) – these	



sessions ideally take place in person, but could be done virtually if necessary	
<ul> <li>Transcribe and analyze data interpretation session findings to produce themes for report</li> </ul>	Nov 2021
2.4 Equitable Resource Allocation Planning	
<ul> <li>Conduct a review of available resource opportunities at the federal, state, and LEA level; make recommendations at the state and LEA Level for equitable resource allocation as it aligns to each outcome of interest the equity review and each LEAP absolute priority (learning, well-being, attendance/engagement, etc.)</li> </ul>	July-Oct 2021
• Align findings of resource allocation practices to identified equity gaps in tasks 2.2. and 2.3	Nov-Dec 2021
2.5 Equity Review White Paper	
• Identify themes from quantitative and stakeholder data collection	Nov 2021
• Summarize and integrate findings from resource allocation planning task	Nov-Dec 2021
<ul> <li>Develop draft white paper, including actionable recommendations, in consultation with RI Governor's Office</li> <li>Share recommendations with subset of stakeholders</li> </ul>	Dec 2021
from data interpretation sessions for affirmation of vision	Jan 2022
Refine and finalize report	
	Jan 2022
2.6 Equity Review Implementation Planning,	,
Dissemination, & Support	
• In consultation with RI Governor's Office, develop state- level implementation/action plans, monitoring plans, and communication plans based on recommendations in the white paper; develop sample LEA plans for local use or adaptation	Jan-Feb 2022
<ul> <li>Design and facilitate virtual community of practice (COP) to support cross-agency stakeholders to meet up to 4 times to support implementation/action planning, problem solving, sharing successes and lessons learned, and connecting with subject matter experts         <ul> <li>may include sessions related to resource allocation planning, talent/workforce planning, student/family re-engagement, student mental</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Jan-June 2022



health/SEL, strategy implementation, progress	
monitoring, and other topics as appropriate	May-June 2022
<ul> <li>Develop promising practice brief outlining equity</li> </ul>	
initiative strategies elevated in the (COP)	Mar & June
<ul> <li>Meet quarterly with cross-agency stakeholders to</li> </ul>	2022
monitor progress on implementation plan and	
communications plan	
<i>Note:</i> The activities described in 2.6 can potentially extend into	
an option year as determined by RI	

## Estimated Task 2 Labor Cost

The estimated number of labor hours to complete Task 2 is:

- 2,937 hours for WestEd x \$147.06 fully loaded blended rate = **\$431,903**
- 16 hours for NIOST x \$114 fully loaded blended rate = **\$1,824**\*
- **=\$434,087**\* total labor costs

## Other Direct Costs

- Travel from Bedford, MA (1 staff person) and Washington, DC (1 staff person) to Providence, Rhode Island for one trip of up to 5 days/5 nights to facilitate stakeholder data interpretation sessions in task 2.3 *(these sessions can also be facilitated virtually, as determined by client)* 
  - o **\$3,710**
- Transcription costs for up to 5 three-hour stakeholder data interpretation sessions (900 minutes) in task 2.3
  - o **\$1,347**
- \*The Agency's indirect cost rate (overhead rate) is negotiated with its cognizant agency, the United States Department of Education. WestEd's 2021 indirect rate is 14.0%. For each subcontractor, indirect is charged on the first \$25,000 each year. The total indicated above includes this cost.

# Total Estimated Task 2 Labor + ODC costs = \$439,144



# Task 3. Metrics and Accountability of Outcomes.

Consultant will develop key metrics, aligned to the <u>RI Department of Education's</u> <u>Learning, Equity, and Accelerated Pathway (LEAP) report</u>, to monitor program execution and outcomes, including a process for monitoring implementation of PK-12 reopening plans and innovations in education policy and practice in the state and municipalities. Consultant will build a custom RI-specific dashboard to monitor and publicly report out on progress toward key outcome metrics. Consultant will review progress with relevant RI government entities during project management meetings and as requested.

## Proposed Task 3 Workplan:

Activity	Timeline
3.1 Metrics & accountability planning	
Consult with RI cross-agency staff and selected RI	July-Aug 2021
stakeholders (e.g., representation from LEAP Taskforce	
or LEAs) to agree to key metrics of interest as aligned to	
the LEAP Report findings	
Determine the aligned data sources for each identified	
metric	
Confirm task timeline and key milestones <b>3.2 Dashboard development</b>	
<ul> <li>Discovery: Identify requirements, use cases, data sources, and specifications for dashboard</li> </ul>	Aug 2021
• Development: User experience, design, and development of dashboard	Sept 2021
• Quality Assurance/Testing: Pilot and test the dashboard engage in quality assurance testing	Oct 2021
<ul> <li>Ongoing Maintenance: Coordinate with RI agencies and LEAs to provide routine database updates and maintenance</li> </ul>	Oct 2021-June 2022
<i>Note</i> : The level of effort/cost required to develop a data dashboard is highly variable based on a number of factors, including the selected indicators, availability of datasets,	
system integration requirements, grain size of reporting, IT security requirements, design requirements, intended users,	
frequency of maintenance, and mechanism for district data	
submission – among other variables. <b>The estimate provided</b>	
here may require adjustment based on the determinations	
in the Discovery and Development phases.	



3.3 Develop Monitoring Plan	
Establish benchmarks for each key metric in	Aug 2021
consultation with RI	0
<ul> <li>Establish monitoring calendar, with routine checkpoints</li> </ul>	Aug 2021
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(for example, quarterly) to examine progress against	
benchmarks	
3.4 Engage in Routine Monitoring & Reporting	
<ul> <li>Engage in routine (e.g., quarterly) monitoring activities</li> </ul>	Sept 2021-June
in consultation with RI agencies	2022
Provide quarterly memos summarizing progress toward	
identified benchmarks	
3.5 Implementation and Dissemination Support	
• Design and facilitate virtual community of practice	Oct 2021-Jun
(COP) to support LEA stakeholders to meet up to 4 times	2022
to support problem solving, sharing successes and	
lessons learned, and connecting with subject matter	
experts	
• Develop promising practice brief outlining strategies	Spring 2022
elevated in the (COP)	
Support for dissemination/communication	Ongoing
<i>Note:</i> The activities described in 3.5 and 3.6 can potentially	
extend into an option year as determined by RI	

## **Estimated Task 3 Labor Cost**

The estimated number of labor hours to complete Task 2 is:

• 1857 hours for WestEd x \$141.29 fully loaded blended rate = **\$262,427** 

# Other Direct Costs

• Dashboard IT costs for hosting and licenses: **\$5,985**\* \**Amount may vary based on dashboard specs* 

# Total Estimated Task 3 Labor + ODC costs = \$268,412



# **Additional Optional Services**

As the Governor's office considers how best to support RI agencies and LEAs in implementing the equity review recommendations; accomplish the reopening goals; and understand and communicate the impact of this significant investment in improving equity of opportunity for Rhode Island students and families, WestEd recommends considering the following longer-term supports and services. WestEd also operates several federally-funded technical assistance centers that can be leveraged to expand the reach of our support. We welcome discussion about these additional offerings, and can provide estimated pricing upon request.

- Ongoing resource planning and implementation support for RI agencies and LEAs. WestEd can provide ongoing support for examination of equitable resource allocation practices at the state and local level, including analysis, recommendations, and ongoing consultation to inform planning.
- Evaluation of impact of RI's investment in accelerated learning and equity of opportunity. WestEd can draw upon the ongoing monitoring data collected in task 2 (equity review) and task 3 (reopening accountability metrics) to provide an evaluation report that examine progress toward stated outcomes and provides actionable recommendations for strengthened implementation.
- **Peer-to-peer consultancies.** Drawing on WestEd's relationships with states across the northeast region and the country, WestEd can identify peer states for the Governor's Office and other RI agencies as appropriate to engage with virtually to problem solve, identify promising practices, and reflect on lessons learned during reopening and recovery efforts.
- **Technical assistance for LEA implementation of equity strategies.** WestEd can provide individualized coaching, problem solving and implementation support for LEAs that choose to pursue the strategies recommended in task 2 (equity reviews).
- **Student, family, and educator re-engagement supports.** Communicating with families, students, and educators about safely returning to in-person learning and the importance of attendance will be critical to addressing incomplete learning and supporting student well-being needs. WestEd can draw upon our expertise in student and family engagement, attendance, and student well-being/social emotional learning (SEL) to provide additional supports to RI agencies. We offer communications and outreach planning, SEL screening tools, and alignment and coherence planning supports to enable cross-sector collaboration and coordination in the service of student well-being.