WHAT TO EXPECT IN THE POST-PANDEMIC CLASSROOM
“ALL KNOWLEDGE OF REALITY STARTS FROM EXPERIENCE AND ENDS IN IT.”

-ALBERT EINSTEIN
WHAT WE’RE EXPERIENCING

• Global Pandemic
• Reckoning on Racism & Oppression
• Political Upheaval
• Climate Change
• Economic Instability
When — if ever — have you felt like you could benefit from mental health programs or services like counseling to help you when you were feeling upset, stressed, or having problems?

- Never: 38%
- Both now and before the pandemic: 33%
- For the first time during the pandemic: 21%
- Before the pandemic, but not now: 9%
White students entered 2020 school year with 1-3 months of learning loss in math

Students of color entered 2020 school year with 3-5 months of learning loss in math

Learning loss is particularly acute in some immigrant communities, due to lacking broadband access, language barriers, etc.

Compounding factors relating to the experience of migration
“EQUITY ISN’T HANDING A KID A LAPTOP. IT’S KNOWING THE SYSTEMIC CONDITIONS THAT LED TO THE LACK OF THE LAPTOP AND WORKING TO MITIGATE THEM.”

-Erika Garcia, educator
How the pandemic changed my thinking as a teacher:
* I will no longer go to school sick.
* I will no longer lose sleep to get my grading done.
* I will prioritize time with family over work.
There's more, but I'm still reflecting. The ones I've listed are firm.
Partner with colleagues for collaboration and support.

Listen to students and their caregivers. Gather funds of knowledge and adopt culturally responsive/sustaining teaching practices.
Who are your students?

What do they need?

What’s their vision for the future, and how can the classroom serve as a site for co-creating an improved world?
KNOW YOURSELF