

## REL Corner: Redefining Teacher and Student Roles

[Learn about the REL Appalachia and its work](#), and dive into these resources on redefining teacher and student roles.

- [Strengthening simulated workplace culture: A guide for educators](#). This guide developed by the West Virginia Department of Education with support from REL Appalachia provides educators with evidence-based practices to strengthen culture both inside the classroom and schoolwide. The practices fall into two categories: creating a student-centered learning environment and providing individualized student supports in the classroom.
- [Supporting positive culture in CTE programs](#). This REL Appalachia blog post shares information on shifting school culture in CTE programs from the traditional instructor-driven classroom to an authentic, student-led approach.
- [What valid and reliable instruments exist to measure student empowerment? How have the instruments been used in research studies, particularly with high school students?](#) This Ask A REL response from REL Appalachia shares research reports and descriptive study articles on measures of student empowerment.
- [Speak Out, Listen Up! Tools for using student perspectives and local data for school improvement](#). This REL West tool provides educators with a purposeful and systematic way to elicit and listen to student voice to inform school improvement efforts.
- [Speak Out, Listen Up! Listening to student voice](#). This REL West webinar discusses the concept of student voice and the benefits of including student input in school improvement efforts. Presenters share tools that have been effective in eliciting student ideas and educators and students who have used the tools share their perspectives.
- [What instruments exist to measure teachers' capacity to support student-led instructional environments and foster students' confidence in those environments?](#) This Ask A REL response from REL Appalachia shares research reports and descriptive study articles on teacher beliefs and practices that promote or foster student empowerment, confidence, and motivation.
- [What does the research say about project-based learning?](#) This Ask A REL response from REL Central shares research reports and descriptive study articles on how project-based learning (PBL) serves as an instructional approach that is designed to engage students in the investigation of real-world problems.