

Qualitative Analysis Support for the Future of Assessment and Accountability Project

Client: National Urban League

Overview

The National Urban League (NUL) is developing a vision for the next generation of assessments and accountability in K–12 education. The work seeks to develop a plan in the best interests of students of color and vulnerable students that identifies and upends inequity and advances better student outcomes. The plan development process will include input from NUL affiliates, civil rights legal community representatives, out-of-school-time staff, parents and guardians, researchers and psychometricians, students, and counselors.

Insight is facilitating this effort by analyzing the data NUL collected as part of this work and summarizing major themes. Our work includes, in part, transcribing recordings of the focus groups and interviews and analyzing them to identify themes that include challenges with accommodations for students and their families, assessment limitations, restrictions resulting



from state policies, and teacher training and professional development. We will draft a comprehensive report summarizing results from these major themes to support the development of an equitable plan for assessment and accountability by NUL.

Products

Interim report and final report (anticipated 2022)