

# STRATEGIC CONSULTING

Looking for advice on budgeting and finance operations? We're here to be a thought partner.

Allovue is here to help school districts direct and repurpose resources during these challenging times. Our free Community Allocation Response Team Services (CARTS) are available to support districts nationwide.

We believe that time with an education finance thought partner can bring the perspective you need to tackle unprecedented challenges. CARTS Strategic Consulting will pair you with an education finance expert at Allovue for a complimentary strategy session. You'll get input on responding to crisis-related needs like revising your budgeting process or repurposing underspent funds.



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## Meet Your Strategic Thought Partners



### Kate Kotaska

*Budget Director-In-Residence*

Kate has a decade of experience managing school and district budgets. She spent the majority of her career in Denver Public Schools facilitating the development and implementation of a \$1.6B annual appropriation across 13 major funds. While in DPS, she led the transformation of the district's student-based budgeting model, shaped the district-wide budget process to engage district and community stakeholders to execute the District's Strategic Plan and built communication tools to increase transparency and understanding across all levels of the organization and community. At Allovue, Kate supports a portfolio of districts to improve financial management and budgeting processes.



### Marques Whitmire

*Senior Account Executive*

Marques has five years of experience in k-12 education finance. At Indianapolis Public Schools, Marques was responsible for the development and distribution of \$109M in general education funds across 60 schools. He worked to transition the district from traditional staffing allocations to a system of student-based budgeting by developing the allocation methodology, leading collaborative efforts to develop the weights, and assisting with change management and training efforts. Marques was also a leader in system upgrades and implementation, including the selection of a new budget tool to develop the budget in the context of student-based budgeting and principal autonomy.



### Justin Dayhoff

*Senior Account Advisor*

Justin has more than a decade of experience working directly in and with public schools. His focus is on school, district and state school funding models that advance fiscal equity for students. He left the classroom and his role as a data specialist to pursue a Ph.D. in Education Policy and School Finance. Justin spent additional time in central office, where he designed and implemented funding formulas for a \$2 billion school district. Justin continues to support equity analyses and the design, implementation, and support of innovative weighted and staffing funding models for k-12 school districts.