

CSAI is a **federally funded national center** that provides **research- and evidence-based technical assistance**.

Standards are the basis for meaningful and effective **assessments**.

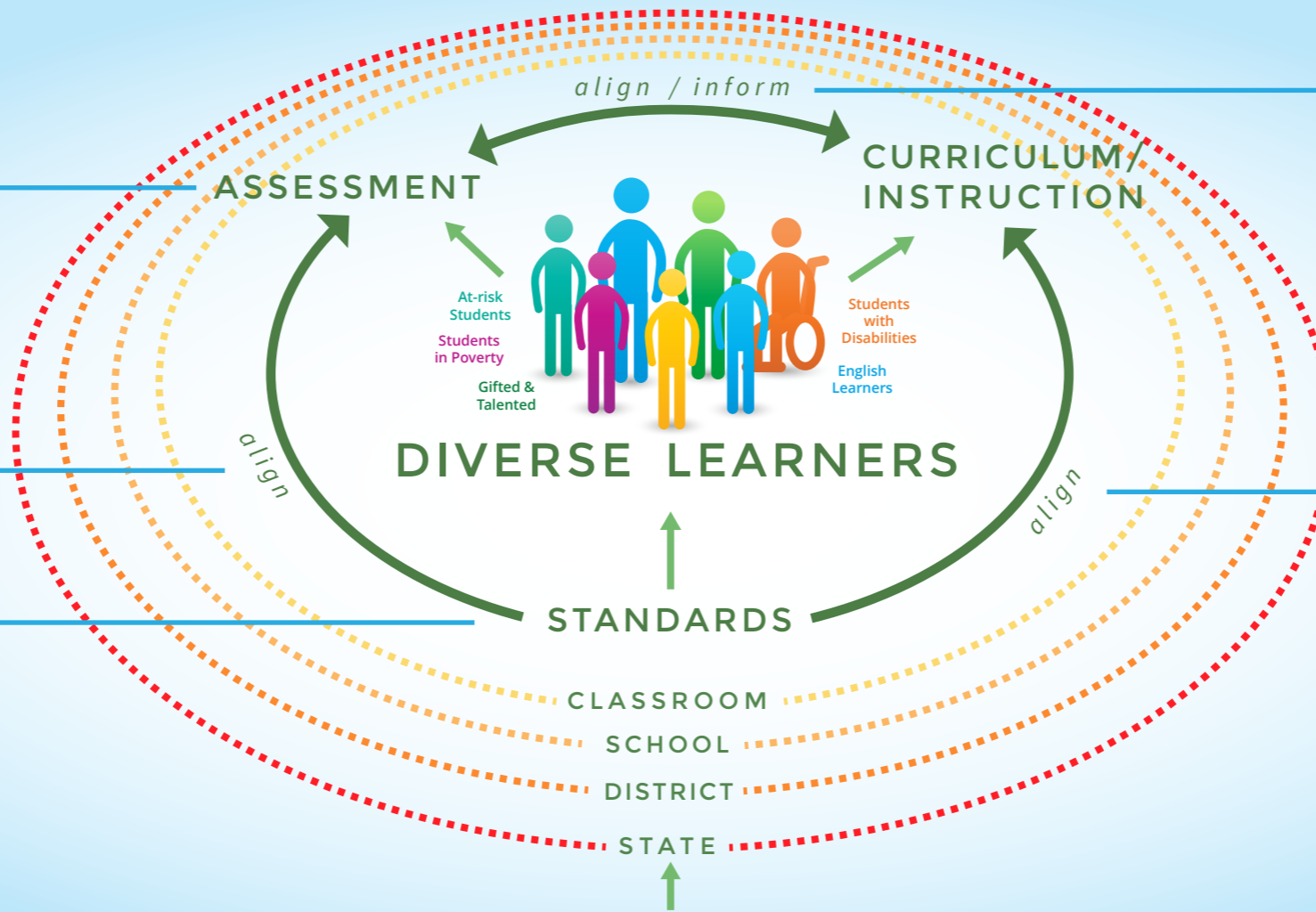
**Alignment** between standards and assessments determines:

- which students take the assessments
- how the data are used

**Standards** provide the foundation for:

- classroom instruction
- student learning

CSAI does not work directly with classrooms, but supports the needs of our **diverse learning population**.



Curriculum/instruction and assessments are **aligned** and **inform** each other to provide a valid and accurate measure of student learning.

**Coherence** between standards and curriculum/instruction provide opportunities for student learning

CSAI's aim is to focus on building capacity **at all levels**, in the development of **balanced, coherent, and efficient** systems of teaching and learning.



## CSAI Implementation to Support Student Learning

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