



Governors' Education Policy Advisors Institute

September 12, 2018

Keynote Dinner Session

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Dr. Aaliyah Samuel, Education Division Director, NGA Center



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Keynote Speaker



**Minnijean
Brown-Trickey**
Civil Rights Icon

Moderator



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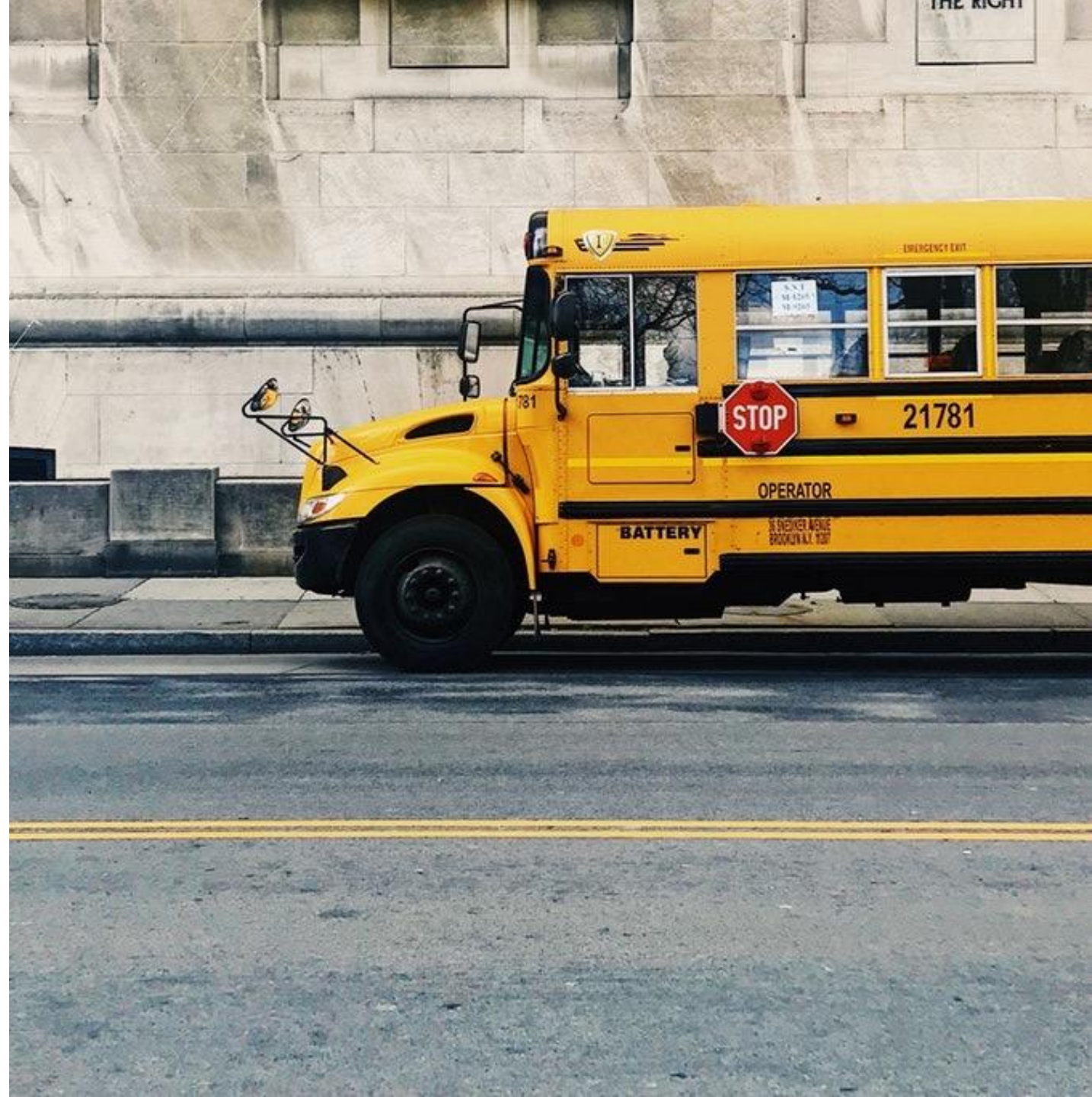


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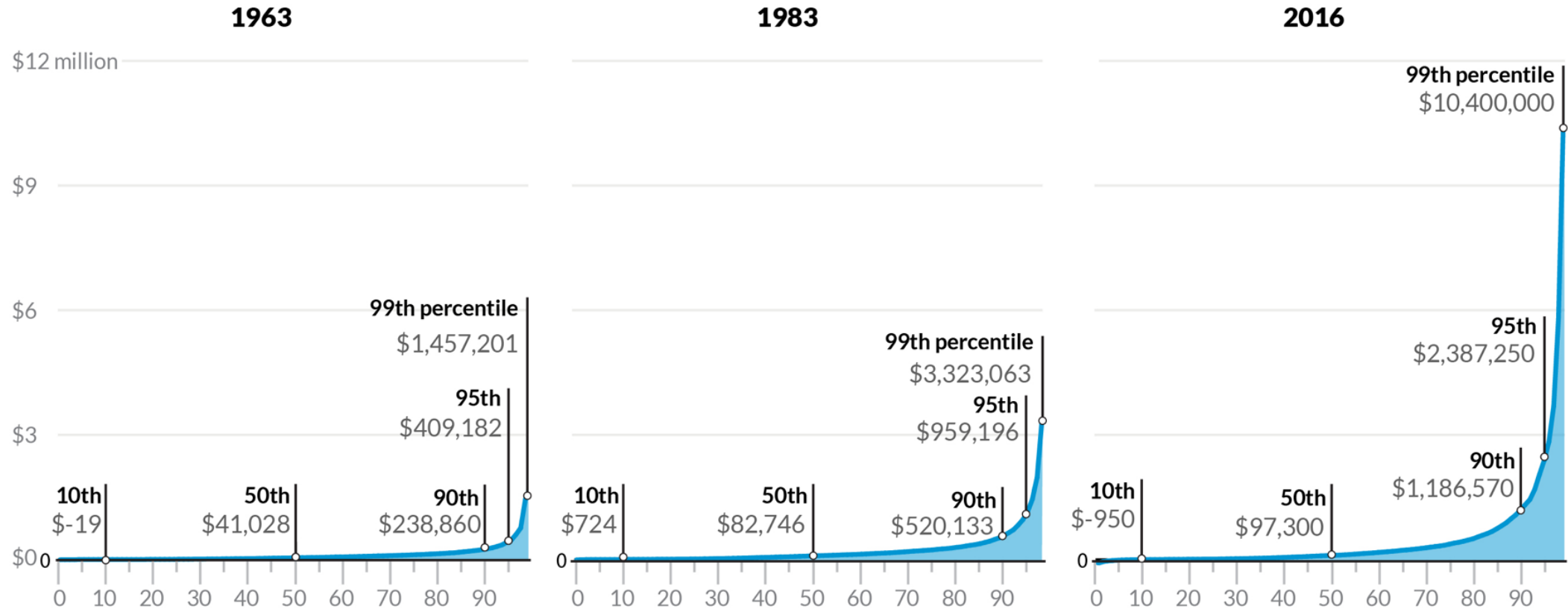
**Different
needs
require
different
resources**





**Local control over
education dollars is
another common value.**

But **wealth** in the U.S. is **increasingly concentrated**.



Source: Urban Institute calculations from Survey of Financial Characteristics of Consumers 1962 (December 31), Survey of Changes in Family Finances 1963, and Survey of Consumer Finances 1983–2016.

Note: 2016 dollars.

The Fundamental Challenge

We are asking of relatively more advantaged communities to sacrifice the resources available to "**their kids**" to provide more opportunities to "**someone else's kids.**"

Our system requires this to achieve our commitment to equal opportunity to free public education, but are we **collectively willing to own this reality?**



- We can **choose** how broadly to define our community and “our kids.”
- Ultimately our willingness to give up resources, or power, depends on:
 - our **personal investment** in the success of the students our resources support

AND

- that we **have faith** that the relevant governing bodies will manage these funds effectively.

Expand the pool of students included in “**our kids**”





Use public sector **accountability, transparency, and support mechanisms** to increase faith in government

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