## **SEL Screener:**

Partnering to Support Our Students



#### **Our Time Together**

- Define SEL
- Review the what/why of the SEL Screener
- Understand Individual Student Results
- Understand Our Schoolwide Results
- Share Current School Supports for SEL



#### What is SEL?

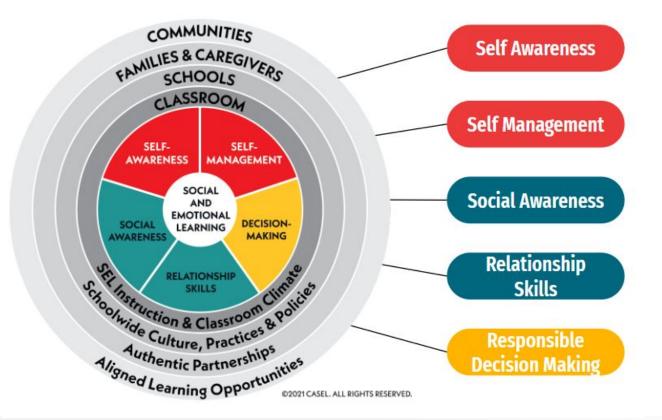
Social-emotional learning (SEL) is the process through which **all young people and adults** acquire and apply the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to:

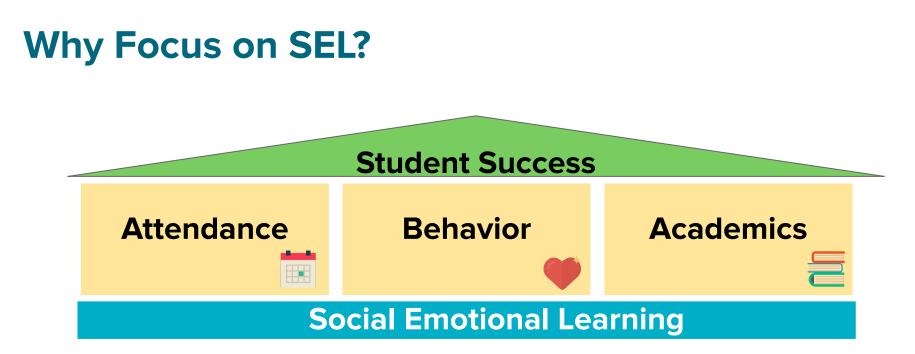
- develop healthy identities
- manage emotions
- achieve personal and collective goals
- feel and show empathy for others
- establish and maintain relationships
- make responsible and caring decisions





#### What is SEL?





- SEL leads to improved academic outcomes and behaviors
- SEL benefits are long-term and global
- Social and emotional skills help improve lifetime outcomes



#### What Does the Screener Measure?



EX: "Overall, how much do you feel like you belong at your school?" Topic: Belonging

Торіс		How We Define It	
Supportive Relationships	North Contraction of the second secon	How supported students feel through their relationships with friends, family, and adults at school.	
Self-Management and Responsible Decision-Making		How well students manage their emotions, thoughts, and behaviors in different situations.	
Challenging Feelings		How frequently students feel challenging emotions, with higher scores indicating less frequent challenging emotions.	
Social Awareness and Relationship Skills		How well students consider the perspectives of others and empathize with them.	
Sense of Belonging		How much students feel that they are valued members of the school community.	
Emotion Regulation		How well students regulate their emotions.	
Cultural Awareness & Action *6-12 only	ර (ලී) (ලී)	How often students learn about, discuss, and confront issues of race, ethnicity, and culture in school.	

#### Considerations

The SEL Screener is ...

- a report of your student's experiences at a particular moment in time
- a display of student strengths as they relate to SEL

The SEL Screener **is not**...

- a stand-alone assessment
- an evaluation of mental health

#### **Understanding Your Student's Screener Results**



#### **SEL Screener Parent/Guardian Report**

#### **Report includes**:

- Name of Topics with a Description
- Average Ratings by Screener Topic

Ratings	Description	
4.30-5.00	High Strengths	
3.50-4.29	Strengths	
2.00-3.49	Medium Strengths	
Below 1.99	Low Strengths	
"No Rating"	Student did not respond to questions for the topic.	

Screener Topic	Topic Description	Your Student's Average Rating
Self-Management & Responsible Decision-Making	How well my school and community help meform decisions that help me to be successful at my goals, cope with my thoughts and feelings, and behave in ways that help me manage different situations successfully.	

#### **Talking With Your Student about the Screener**

- Focus on strengths
- Follow your student's lead
- End on a positive note



What did your student learn about themselves?

#### **Understanding Our School's Screener Results**





## Areas of Growth:

- Emotion Regulation
- Cultural Awareness\*

\*Only 6th grade surveyed





#### **Currently all students:**

- Have a Morning Meeting and Closing Circle daily
- Participate in Welcoming Inclusions, Engaging Strategies & Optimistic Closures (CASEL's 3 Signature Practices)
- Second Step SEL Lessons in homerooms
- Participate in whole class counseling lessons

#### **Selected students:**

- Attend lunch bunch
- Group counseling
- Individual counseling



#### Highest Rated Strength:

Supportive Relationships

#### Strengths Rated Higher than FCPS Average:

Responsible Decision Making and Self-Management Social Awareness and Relationship Skills Sense of Belonging Challenging Feelings









For general information about the screener:

• FCPS Social and Emotional Learning

For more information on SEL in FCPS:

• <u>SEL in FCPS</u>

#### Keep in Touch!

Have questions? Please connect with:

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Erica McKinney, School Counselor

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# Attendance Matters

Lemon Road Attendance Team

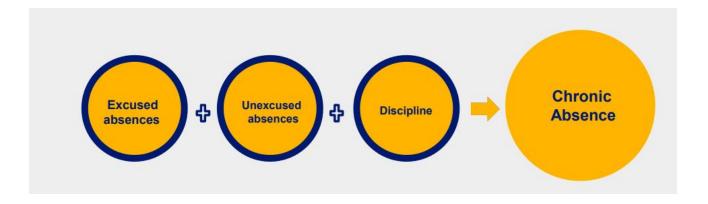
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ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

#### What Is Chronic Absenteeism?



 $\star$  Defined as missing **10%** or more of school for any reason



★ Chronic absence is different from truancy (unexcused absences only) or average daily attendance (how many students show up to school each day).

FCPS Student Attendance & Engagement



#### Attendance Matters

Data shows that:

• Missing just **10%** of school — just two days a month — negatively affects a student's academic performance.

• Only **17%** of students who were chronically absent in both kindergarten and first grade were reading proficiently in third grade, compared to **64%** of those with good attendance.

• Students who fail to read at grade level by the end of third grade are **four times** more likely than students who achieve proficiency to dropout of high school.

By sixth grade, chronic absenteeism becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.

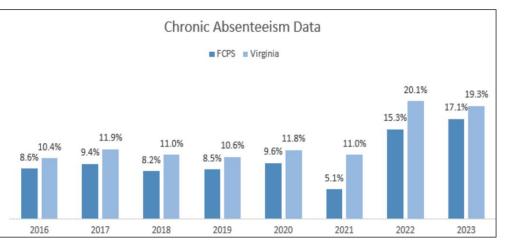


#### Attendance Matters

- ★ FCPS monitors all students' attendance and schools are responsible for notifying parents of absenteeism concerns and working with families to improve attendance for any student regularly missing school.
- ★ Ultimately, each school in Virginia will receive a rating at the end of the year related to student performance, student growth, and absenteeism.
- ★ Attendance rates impact school accreditation!



Source: VDOE School Climate Reports





#### How You Can Help

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.

• Don't let your child stay home unless they are truly sick. Keep in mind that complaints of a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home.

• If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents for advice on how to make them feel comfortable and excited about learning.

• Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.

• Try to schedule medical appointments at the beginning or end of the day, so that minimal hours of instruction are missed.

• Avoid extended trips when school is in session.



#### If You Think Your Child is Avoiding School

- Rule out medical issues.
- Explore why (fear of failure, anxiety about tests, social concerns, feeling lonely).
- Contact the school for support to help create a plan for your child.
- Since avoidance increases anxiety, it is important for your child to learn how to cope with the challenge.
- **Golden Rule:** If home during the school day, your child should not be allowed to do anything that they would not be allowed to do at school. Maintain regular school schedule.



#### If Your Child is Absent

• Call the school's attendance line (703-714-6464) or <u>report directly through SIS</u> <u>ParentVUE</u> to report the absence.

• Check in with teachers on missed instruction.

• If a chronic medical condition is impacting your child's ability to attend school regularly, contact the school social worker regarding homebound instruction.

• Reach out to members of the school attendance team for consultation and support when you have concerns regarding your child's attendance.

#### Attendance Team



Position/Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Lemon Road Attendance	703-714-6464	LemonRoadElem.Attendance@fcps.edu
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Additional Resources and Supports to Encourage Regular Attendance: <a href="https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/attendance/supports-and-resources">https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/attendance/supports-and-resources</a>







### Right Now we are looking for community members to support the PTA & School by:

• Joining our PTA committees - Basketball &

Spring Fair especially

- Volunteering at Events
- Volunteering throughout the school different opportunities in every grade – Art especially

#### EVENTS COMING UP!

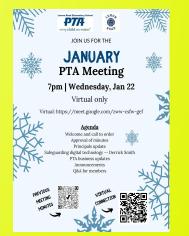
<u>Jan</u>

14th-21st - Restaurant night @ Basic Burger 17th - Staff Welcome back Breakfast 22nd - PTA Meeting - Digital Safety 23rd - Restaurant Night @ &pizza

#### <u>Feb</u> 12th - PTA Meeting - Parenting Coach Mary Smith 20th - POG Night







# QZ PRINCIPALS COFFEE PTA UPDATE









- Over 200 members signed up
- Fundraising goals for the quarter exceeded ~\$17k
- First Assembly held Jo Romano
- Beautification meetings held and moving forward
- 6 community events held