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What is SEL (Social/Emotional Learning)?

The social/emotional domain of school counseling includes standards to help students manage emotions and learn and apply interpersonal skills. School counselors promote mindsets and behaviors in all grade levels that enhance the learning process and create a culture of college and career readiness for all students. Research has shown that **students who participate in social/emotional learning programs demonstrate significantly improved social/emotional skills, attitudes, behavior and academic performance.**

Position Statement: The School Counselor and Social/Emotional Development

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Why do employers value **SEL** (**Social/Emotional Learning**)?

Employers are seeking employees who have

- social and emotional competencies
- communication and interpersonal skills
- self-management skills
- the ability to collaborate or work in teams.

Employers also desire workers who can

- solve problems
- have respect for people from different backgrounds
- think critically and strategically to make wise and ethical decisions.

Read more: casel.org/sel-and-workforce-preparation/

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What is **equity**?

Being treated fairly; educational equity occurs when educators provide **all students** with the high-quality instruction and support they need to reach and exceed a common standard.

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How do **school counselors** promote **equity**?

School counselors promote equitable treatment of all students by:

- Providing equitable access to school counseling programs for all students
- Advocating for the academic, career and social/emotional development of students from marginalized groups
- Using data to identify gaps in achievement and opportunity and developing a plan to address such disparities
- Collaborating with families to provide access to resources to meet student needs

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What is **inclusion**?

- Involves creating an environment in which all individuals, regardless of their individual identities and differences, are respected, valued, and included as full participants.
- Strives to foster a sense of belonging and community among all members.

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How do school counselors promote inclusion?

School counselors strive to establish inclusive and welcoming learning environments in which all students can thrive and reach their full potential.

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What is **belonging**?

- Relates to the feeling of being welcomed, accepted and valued within a group or community.
- Goes beyond mere inclusion and speaks to the emotional connection and sense of being an integral part of a collective.

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How do school counselors promote belonging?

School counselors can encourage belonging by:

- Ensuring each student has access to a school counseling program that advocates for all students in diverse cultural groups
- Ensuring all students' rights are respected and all students' needs are met
- Consulting and collaborating with partners to create a school climate that welcomes and appreciates the strengths and gifts of culturally diverse students

Position Statement: The School Counselor and Cultural Diversity