

Reigniting SEL for tomorrow's classrooms



Social-emotional learning (SEL) is not a new concept. However, over the past few years the heightened urgency to prioritize SEL in classroom learning has taken the forefront due to the isolation, uncertainty, and trauma that students and families across the country continue to experience. So, what does SEL look like in tomorrow's classrooms? Addressing the whole child in instruction ensures students remain engaged, feel heard, and that their experiences are woven into learning. Plus, when schools embed SEL within core subject areas, there are [improvements](#) in SEL skills and academic performance, which are important for success within and outside the classroom.

How has SEL shifted?

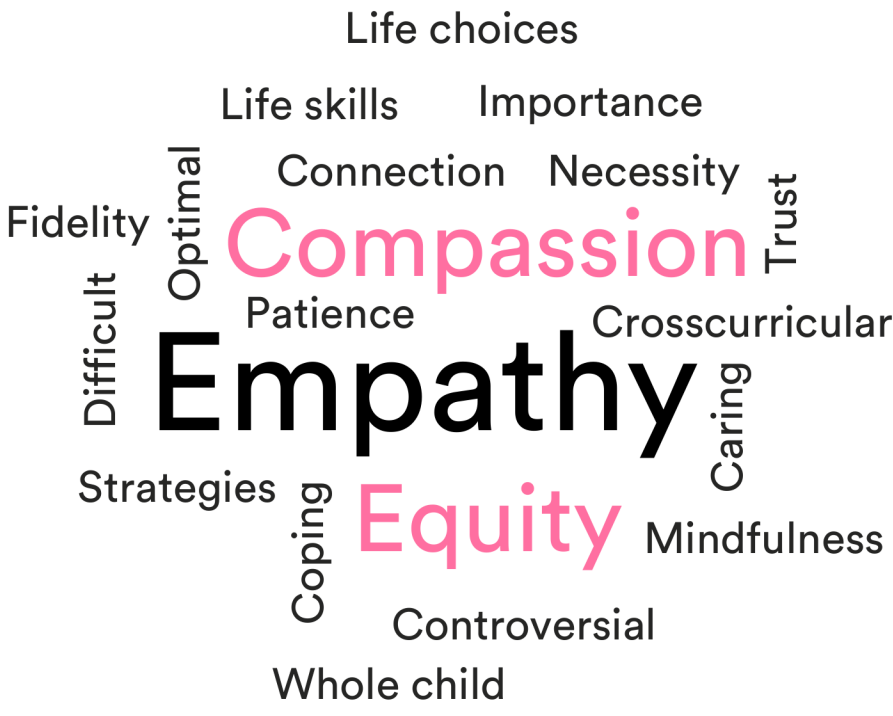
2020-2021
Students' emotional needs are a priority, but academics fall behind.



Before 2020
SEL is approached in some districts, but not a major priority for all.

Looking forward
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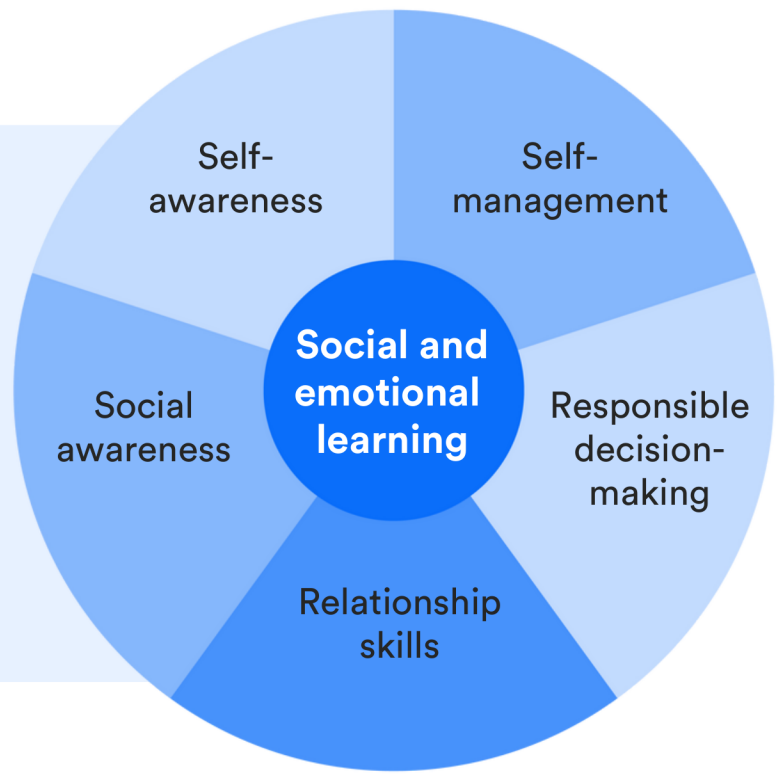
Educators listed student mental health and overall well-being as a critical issue students need to regain most next school year.¹



What comes to administrators' minds when they think of SEL implementation?²

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Enhance instruction and practices by promoting the 5 Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL) competencies across the curriculum.³



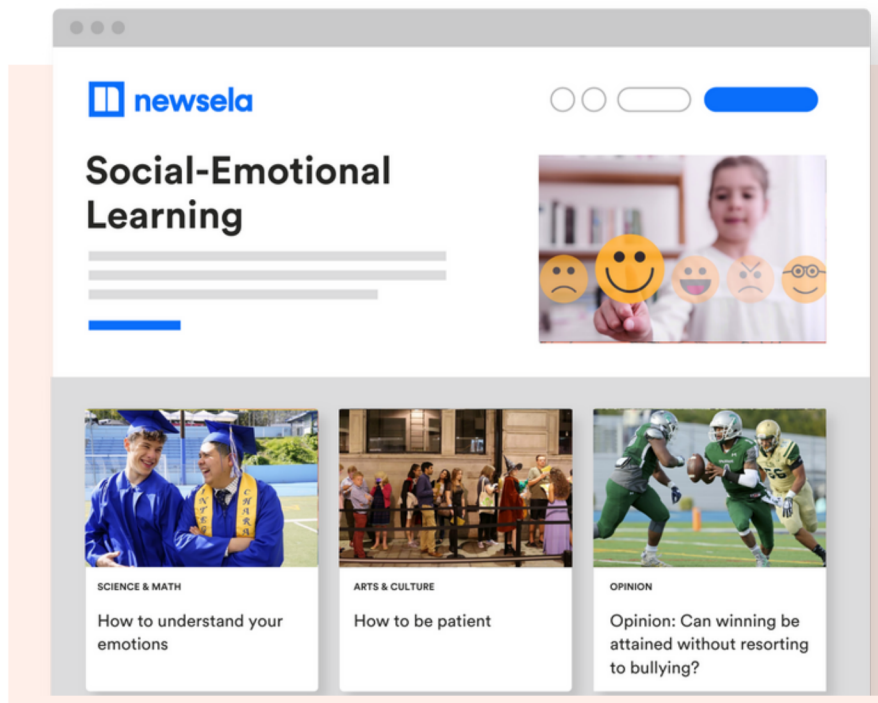
How can administrators support their teachers as they integrate SEL into instructional planning?

- ✓ Prioritize access to culturally competent SEL resources
- ✓ Ensure that there are opportunities for student-led learning that builds SEL skills
- ✓ Introduce relevant, relatable, real-world SEL content across the curriculum

SEL for a constantly changing world

The [Newsela SEL Collection](#) empowers teachers to integrate SEL into their core instruction across subjects. With Newsela, you can:

- Leverage content organized by CASEL competency
- Engage students with relatable and relevant content
- Introduce content at 5 reading levels
- Find flexibility through hybrid schedules



Empower teachers to integrate SEL into their core literacy instruction

When students develop and acquire skills to learn and understand their emotions, they have the needed foundation to engage in learning. Whatever their emotions may be facing, Newsela's curated, leveled content will support your teacher's instruction and help create a more inclusive classroom experience.

Learn more about how [The Newsela SEL collection](#) can help you support SEL.

1. The EdWeek Research Center survey commissioned by Newsela, April 2021 ([see here](#)); 2. The future of SEL: How to implement SEL in today's classrooms webinar, April 2022 ([see here](#)); 3. CASEL SEL's Framework ([see here](#))