



Washington SEL Professional Learning Network

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) is pleased to announce a new Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Professional Learning Network to provide Washington education professionals with SEL-related learning opportunities. Local educational agencies (LEAs), including Educational Service Districts (ESDs), districts, State-Tribal Education Compact Schools (STECs), and charter schools around the state are focused on building the conditions, supports, and partnerships that allow students to develop and apply social emotional skills. The SEL Professional Learning Network will primarily support LEA teams. However, many network activities will be open to all Washington practitioners.

How does the SEL Professional Learning Network support LEAs?

The SEL Professional Learning Network will bring LEA teams together to learn about new research, resources, and strategies that align with the [Washington State Social Emotional Learning Implementation Guide](#). Network members will engage with content experts and peers to work through implementation challenges, wherever they are in their implementation journey.

The Professional Learning Network will help LEAs advance the following **ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS**:

- 1. BUILD ADULT CAPACITY** | Engage adult social emotional skills to support and relate with all students, identify and counter bias, and create learning environments in which students feel safe enough to stretch their learning.
- 2. CREATE CONDITIONS TO SUPPORT STUDENT SEL** | Maintain a positive school climate and culture and infuse SEL into policies and practices inside and outside of the classroom.
- 3. COLLABORATE WITH FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES** | Involve the full school community from the outset of planning, through implementation and review. The school community includes families, students, youth-serving organizations, educators, and professionals who play critical roles in the life of a school.



What activities will the SEL Professional Learning Network provide for LEAs?

The SEL Professional Learning Network will provide a range of learning opportunities through September 2023:



Webinars | Webinars on key priorities will be available not only to network participants but also any educational staff across the state of Washington.



Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Exchange Series | Staff from multiple LEAs will convene around common areas of need in facilitated sessions to share their experiences and build on one another's successes and challenges.



Direct Technical Assistance for LEAs | Subject matter experts will provide individualized coaching and support to LEAs, including recipients of OSPI SEL Curriculum Grants.



Highlighting Promising Practices | LEAs will showcase the work they are doing and share resources and lessons learned with the network.



Capstone Event | This virtual event will share findings and resources, provide networking opportunities, and highlight lessons learned across the network.

Let's Work Together

We are committed to working closely with Washington SEL community partners to develop and deliver high-quality supports that meet the most critical needs.

Our efforts will be informed by

- **A Collaborative Needs Assessment Process**, which will consider the input of multiple community partners including educators, students, and families.
- **The Washington SEL Advisory Committee**, established by the Washington State Legislature to continue to develop statewide support to advance and promote SEL.
- **The Washington SEL Framework**, including the Washington SEL Standards, Benchmarks, and Indicators and the *Washington State Social Emotional Learning Implementation Guide*.

We want to hear from you. Please contact the OSPI SEL Team at sel@k12.wa.us with questions, considerations, or partnership ideas.