Integrating Social Emotional Learning and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support: Part I

Social Emotional Learning Professional Learning Network

Share in the chat one thing that is bringing you joy this week.
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Mission

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Objectives

• **Define** the role of SEL within multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS).

• **Explore** best practices for integrating SEL within MTSS.

• **Reflect** on current practices for integrating SEL within MTSS and identify a challenge or area for improvement.

• **Connect** with peers and build a network of support to continue work to integrate SEL within MTSS.
Agenda

• Welcome and introduction
• Defining key terms and frameworks
• Exploring practices for integrating SEL within MTSS
• Building conditions for success
• Reflecting on current practices and applying learning
• Next steps and close
Warm Welcome

Share in the chat
• Name
• Location
• Role
• One thing that comes to mind when you think about integrating SEL within MTSS
Defining Key Terms and Frameworks
Washington SEL Framework

- Self-Awareness
- Self-Management
- Self-Efficacy
- Social Awareness
- Social Management
- Social Engagement

Washington MTSS Essential Components


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Washington MTSS Framework

Advancing Equity

• Systems change to transform learning environments to promote positive school climate that address inequities, injustice, and student supports to build resilience

• Equity focused, systemic SEL in all tiered supports

• Asset-based mindsets, beliefs, and practices

• Equitable access to high-quality and rigorous instruction and positive outcomes for all students

• Awareness and strategies to reduce bias-based beliefs and improve value-based policies and practices

Exploring Practices for Integrating SEL Within MTSS
SEL MTSS Toolkit for State and District Leaders:

Integrating social and emotional learning within a multi-tiered system of supports to advance equity

Integrating SEL Within MTSS

• Emphasize building the capacity of the adults who support students.
• Promote equitable learning environments that support all students in their growth and success.
• Prioritize supportive approaches to improving student behavior.
• Require collaboration with families and communities.
SEL as a Tier 1 Support

• SEL team focused on creating safe, supportive learning environments
• Evidence-based SEL instruction and integrating SEL into academic learning and daily practices
• Opportunities for students to weigh in on what they are experiencing and what they need
• Building adult SEL capacity to support skill modeling, relationship-building, and fostering a safe environment
• Collaboration with families and community partners
SEL as a Tier 1 Support

Share in the chat or come off mute
How do you implement SEL as a Tier 1 support?

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SEL in Tiers 2 and 3

• Align Tiers 2 and 3 supports with Tier 1 SEL supports
• Integrate SEL practices and reinforce social emotional competencies
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How do you integrate SEL in Tiers 2 and 3?

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SEL, MTSS, and Data-Based Decision Making

• Reflect on and build your data culture.
• Nurture the SEL competencies of adults.
• Focus on assessing data to adjust the system and conditions for learning.
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*Share in the chat:* What types of data can you collect to support SEL implementation, climate and culture, and student perceptions to determine how you are shifting context?
Building Conditions for Success
Conditions for Success

- Team-driven shared leadership
- Clear vision and a shared understanding
- Systemic implementation
- Professional development
- Partnerships with students, families, and communities
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Conditions for Success

What does this look like?

What resources or strategies can support this?

What are the barriers and challenges?

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Share in the chat: Where are you strong? Where would you like to improve?

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Reflecting on Current Practices and Applying Learning
Breakout Discussion

• Why would you want to integrate SEL within MTSS?
• What does SEL and MTSS look like in your district?
• Is SEL currently integrated within MTSS? If so, how? If not, can you identify opportunities or action steps to begin to integrate SEL within MTSS?
• Do you have any concerns or anticipate barriers?
• Are there existing opportunities or strengths you can leverage?
Share out

Share in the chat or come off mute

Key takeaways or questions that came up in your discussion
Team Time and Next Steps

• Meet with your LEA team to
  • Reflect on where you are in integrating SEL within MTSS
  • Identify one challenge related to integrating SEL within MTSS that you want to share next session
  • Fill in the first section of your action planning tool!

• Next session is February 23, 2023, 4:00–5:30 p.m.
## Upcoming Professional Learning Network Events

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Optimistic Closure

Share in the chat
One thing you are curious about or want to explore more between now and next session.
Thank you!
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Technology Reminders

- Stay on mute when not speaking.
- Use the raise hand feature and chat box.
- Stay on or off camera as is comfortable.
Community Agreements

• Listen actively.
• Speak from your own experience (I vs. they).
• Use W.A.I.T. time (Why am/aren’t I talking?).
• Stay curious.
• Stories stay, lessons leave.

*Share in the chat or come off mute:* Are there any additional community agreements to add to help you feel safe and supported?
Objectives

• **Review** best practices for integrating SEL within MTSS.
• **Collaboratively brainstorm** strategies for improving SEL and MTSS integration and create an action plan.
• **Connect** with peers and build a network of support to continue work to integrate SEL within MTSS.
Agenda

1. Welcome and introduction
2. Review of SEL and MTSS integration
3. Peer exchange to brainstorm strategies for integration
4. LEA team action planning
5. Next steps and close
Warm Welcome

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• Name
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• Role
• One “aha” or idea you explored after last session
Integrating SEL Within MTSS

- Implement SEL programs and practices as foundational, Tier 1 supports.
- Reinforce social emotional competencies and integrate SEL practices at Tiers 2 and 3.
- Use data to guide schoolwide, classroom, and adult practices that nurture students’ social emotional competencies.
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Building Adult Capacity

Team-driven shared leadership

Clear vision and a shared understanding
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Clear vision and a shared understanding

Write it down: Who is currently on your team? Who is missing?
Share Out

Share in the chat or come off mute
What is resonating with you or at the top of your mind today regarding integrating SEL within MTSS?
Peer Exchange

5 min.
LEA Team 1 shares their SEL implementation challenge.

7 min.
LEA Teams provide feedback and brainstorming ideas.

24 min.
Repeat cycle with additional LEA team(s).
Peer Exchange

Share

• Key takeaways
• Wonderings
• Questions for the group
Action Planning

• What **strategies will you implement** to address the challenge you shared?
• How can you incorporate the **conditions for success**?
• What are your **next steps**?
• Who can hold you **accountable**?
Action Planning

Share

• Your next step
• Your accountability partner
Next Steps

• Continue action planning
• Schedule one-on-one coaching session
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Optimistic Closure

Share in the chat

What is one word that describes how you are feeling about integrating SEL within MTSS?
Thank you!