

Edition 1 >>> NEWSLETTER <<< March 2024

SEL4NC Launches March 8, 2024



MISSION



SEL4NC exists to improve the lives of all young people and adults by empowering advocates to support social and emotional learning in our state.

VISION



We envision a world where all schools and youth-serving organizations are centers of safe, caring and supportive activity where youth and adults are empathetic, resilient, civically engaged and culturally aware and responsive, and develop the skills to solve problems, manage emotions, and form positive relationships with others.





SEL4NC UPDATES

>>> CO-FOUNDERS REPORT

In our first edition, we want to **thank** all the SEL advocates across North Carolina who engage and partner with staff, families, students, and community members in their social and emotional learning (SEL) efforts! Share your SEL efforts with others worldwide on **SEL Day, March 8, 2024**. Sign up here. Use #SELday and #SEL4NC.

>>> ADVOCACY AND POLICY REPORT

The Advocacy and Policy Team is working to make a difference by educating voters and prospective candidates on SEL-related issues regarding the 2024 November elections. Here is a <u>Voting with Values Resource</u> that supports the thoughtful, individual reflection of SEL in our own lived experience and explores how our SEL skills can support democratic engagement.

In cooperation with our Promote & Development Team, we are calling members to contribute a short (7 - 15 second) video clip of how #SELcanhelp in our daily lives. To contribute a clip (which could be distributed to the rest of our #SEL4NC membership), please can go to the SEL4NC Group on Flipgrid.

>>> PROMOTE & DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The Promote and Development Team has actively engaged in:

- Preparing for SEL Day 2024, including establishing a partnership with the <u>Dudley Flood Center</u>,
- Designing a grant template to facilitate our alliances' access to funding opportunities from various grant sources,
- Amplifying the #SELDay campaign through strategic promotion across social media platforms, and
- Collaborating closely with the Advocacy & Policy Team to develop a compelling social media campaign highlighting the diverse ways in which #SELCanHelp.









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>>> SUPPORT REPORT

The Support Team conducted an SEL needs assessment with SEL4NC members and identified **four priority areas** to address with future support activities:

- 1. Integrating SEL into academics,
- 2. Supportive school and classroom climate,
- 3. Adult SEL and
- 4. Explicit SEL instruction.

We started reviewing and posting upcoming opportunities to engage with the SEL Community at various upcoming events this spring. Please take a look at selected March and April Events below.

>>> MARCH EVENTS

- March 4-8, National SEL Week (Sign up <u>here</u>).
- March 8, SEL Day and Official Launch of SEL4NC
- March 8- SEL4US Virtual Summit Exhibition (Register here).
- March 12, 2024: North Carolina School Psychology Association (NCSPA) Spring Institute (Register here).
- March 15-16, 2024: North Carolina Central University's (NCCU) Let's Talk Racism Conference (Register here).
- March 20-22: North Carolina Association of School Administrators (NCASA) Conference on Educational Leadership (Register here).
- March 27, 2024: University of Rhode Island's inaugural Innovative Education Conference, a free, fully virtual, one-day event (Register here)

>>> APRIL EVENTS

- April 24-25, 2024: School Climate Conference (Register here).
- April 25-26, 2024: Southeastern School Behavioral Health Conference (Register here).
- April 26-27 Healthy Minds Stronger Schools Conference. Save the Date is here. (Register here).