




# State Spotlight: Michigan



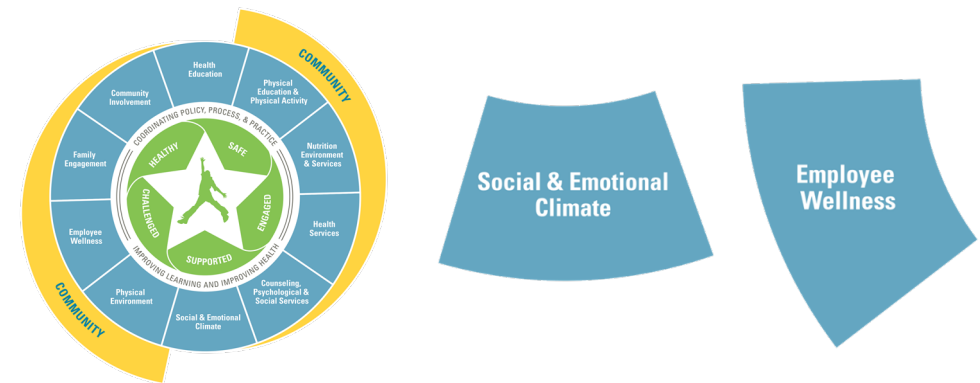
Children matter.  
 You matter.  
 Learn SEL!



## Building a Bridge through Social and Emotional Learning: Michigan Department of Education's Children matter. You matter. Learn SEL! Campaign

**Pandemic Pivot:** Prior to COVID, social and emotional learning skills were necessary to learning, but they are even more vital during, and after, the COVID-19 pandemic. To support students in strengthening their social and emotional learning skills, Michigan Department of Education created a campaign to encourage building leaders and staff to take a free virtual course, "Introduction to Social and Emotional Learning."

### Key WSCC Components:



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## Why is SEL Important?

### Long Term Benefits of SEL:

- Higher Graduation Rates
- College and Career Readiness
- Higher Sense of Well-Being

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### Return on Investment

For every \$1 spent on SEL, there is a cost savings of \$11 for a district



**13 Percentile-point gain** on standardized achievement tests as compared to other students who did not participate in SEL

### Key Partners:

- State School-Linked Organizations
- Intermediate School Districts/Regional Education Service Agencies
- Local School Districts
- Michigan Teacher of the Year
- Community Organizations

**Funding Source:** Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

### Results/Impact:

- Over 9,400 educators completed the Intro to SEL course.
- 55% of school districts in Michigan had 2 or more staff members in EACH building complete the course.

### Access Resources:

- [FREE Online SEL Training](#)
- [Michigan Department of Education's Social and Emotional Learning webpage](#)

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