



# The Rising Role of Social Emotional Learning

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# Underestimating SEL: Common Misconceptions

**SEL is a brand new concept**

SEL does not fit into the new emphasis on STEM education

**SEL is just the new Character Development curriculum**

**SEL is just to develop “soft skills”**

**SEL is a stand-alone subject and curriculum**

# In the News...

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## Social And Emotional Skills: Everybody Loves Them, But Still Can't Define Them

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## What Is Social and Emotional Learning, and How Can It Save Students' Lives?

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The Washington Post  
Answer Sheet

This school isn't just about academics. The emotional and physical health of kids matters too.

The New York Times | <https://nyti.ms/1QHFf33>  
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## Testing for Joy and Grit? Schools Nationwide Push to Measure Students' Emotional Skills

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## How Social-Emotional Skills Can Fit into School Curricula

# Social and Emotional Learning is:

- Research-based
- Embedded in teaching practice
- Essential for whole child education

# Employability: Why SEL matters to Governors

- CEOs acknowledge the skills gap is not just related to a lack of academic knowledge.
- Governors are uniquely positioned to connect gaps in the workforce back to education, and ensure a seamless pipeline from early childhood through college and career.
- Ensuring education of the whole child, including Social-Emotional Learning, is essential to increasing employability of the future workforce.

