



**School Culture &  
Climate Initiative**

# School Support Network

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**Supporting, Connecting and Empowering Schools**



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# **Introductions**



# Agenda

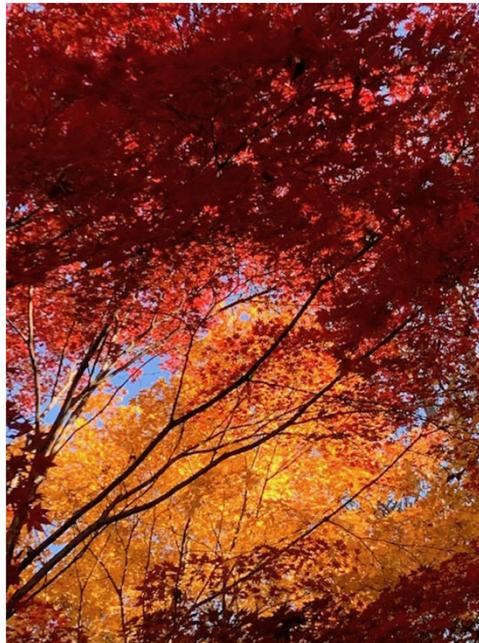
- Welcome and Introductions
- Workshop:

## **"SEL Coaching: Learn Tips and Tools to Enhance the Social Emotional Learning at Your School"**

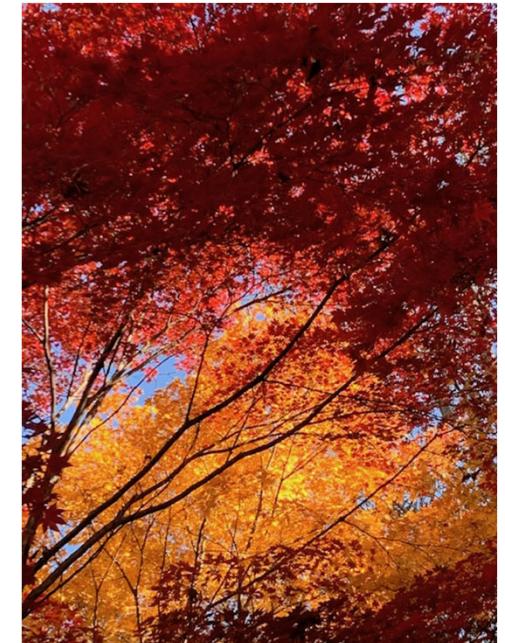
Presented by: *Erica Brentan*, Consultant, School Culture and Climate Initiative

- Grants for SEL and School Climate Work
- Resources available from the School Culture and Climate Initiative
- Social-emotional learning
- Dates for your calendar
- Evaluation

# Welcome



Please share two words in the chat that describe how you are feeling today.





# School Support Network (SSN)

The Idea...

- **Connection**
- Shared Professional Development – topic focused
- Spotlight Schools

The Details...

- Established in northern NJ 11 years ago
- Originally in-person now virtual with no geographic boundaries
- Over 12,000 professional development hours delivered and have connected thousands of educators

*The **SSN** is a project of the **School Culture and Climate Initiative***

# School Support Network (SSN)

- **School Support Network (like today)**
  - 90 minutes – monthly Professional Development
- **Coffee Chat**
  - 60 minutes – monthly
  - Connection – sharing successes, challenges, support and advice
- **Job-Alike Coffee Chats**
  - School Counselor
  - Administrator

# Introductions



Please take a  
minute to  
complete the poll.

*Thank you!*



# Workshop

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# Grant Opportunities

SEL4NJ is excited to announce the launch of the **Social-Emotional Development Integration and Learning Cohort** Grant Program, funded by the New York Jets. The grant opportunity is open to any **New Jersey teacher** or **team of teachers** from the same school or district for professional study leading to the integration of social, emotional, and character development in their classroom, school, or district. SEL4NJ will award grants **up to \$1,500** for professional learning opportunities related to SEL for teachers and teams of applicants are eligible for grants **up to \$2,500**.

**Funding can be used for professional learning opportunities related to SEL and include, but are not limited to, training, workshops, courses, or coaching.**



**More information and application requirements: [SEL4NJ.org/](http://SEL4NJ.org/)**

**Deadline: Friday, December 10, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. EST**

# Grant Opportunities

## New Sustainable Jersey for Schools Funding Opportunity!

### 2021 NJEA Grants Cycle

- NJEA is contributing \$180,000 to support the Sustainable Jersey Grants Program for public schools and school districts. Funding supports efforts to implement projects that help schools and school districts gain points needed for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification and make progress toward a sustainable future. For more information, click [here](#).
- **EXTENDED Application Deadline: Friday, December 3, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.**



# What SCCI Can Offer

- **Data:**
  - School Climate Assessment (students, staff, parents) with data analysis and in-person detailed data review
  - Other assessment tools available including Equity, Social Inclusion, and Bullying Prevention
  - Student and staff surveys disaggregated by key sub-groups
- **SEL:**
  - SEL teacher coaching (all levels) and professional development in all areas of SEL
- **School Climate:**
  - Three-year all-inclusive, consultant supported, School Climate Assessment and Improvement Process with baseline and follow-up climate surveys for all in the school community
- **Professional Learning Communities (PLCs):**
  - Staff well-being PLCs/Parent PLCs
  - PLCs available that bring schools together around similar jobs (school counselor/administrator) as well as shared professional development (School Support Network)
- **Professional Development:**
  - Trauma-informed approaches, cultural competencies, equity, team building, SEL, and many more areas – designed specifically for your school/district



# Professional Development

## *Building Within: Cultivating Well-Being and Emotional Resilience in Educators Workshop Series*

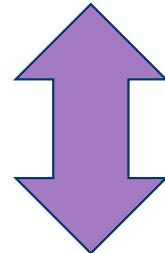
Presented by: Erica Brentan and Kathleen McClay, School Culture and Climate Consultants

January 2022 through May 2022  
The registration fee is \$149 per person.

[Details and Registration](#)

## The Foundation

The **social-emotional skills** of students and staff create the foundation for a positive school climate.



In a positive **school climate** teaching and learning can happen and all are respected, heard, valued and supported.

# Social-emotional Learning

## Embedded and integrated is the goal...

- Resources from [SEL4NJ \(<http://www.sel4nj.org/>\)](http://www.sel4nj.org/) available to support SEL
  - Statement – *What is SEL and Why it is Essential*
  - Examples of embedded and integrated SEL – 9 briefs; more to follow

<a href="#"><u>SEL and Academic Learning</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Emphasizing Caring Relationships to Support Achievement</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Creating Classrooms That Celebrate Who Students Are</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Helping Students Feel Welcomed</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>SEL and Anti-Bullying Efforts</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>SEL Embedded in Language Arts</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>SEL Embedded in Social Studies</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>SEL and Career Readiness</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Rooting Out Implicit Bias</u></a>



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*Please join!!*

# Upcoming Dates

**School Climate Assessment and Improvement Process (SCAIP)**  
**Professional Learning Community (PLC)**  
November 16 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**School Counselor Network Coffee Chat**  
November 17 from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

**Coffee Chat**  
December 1 from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

**Administrator Network Coffee Chat**  
December 8 from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

**School Support Network**  
December 15 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Topic and Presenter TBD



## Evaluation – QR Code

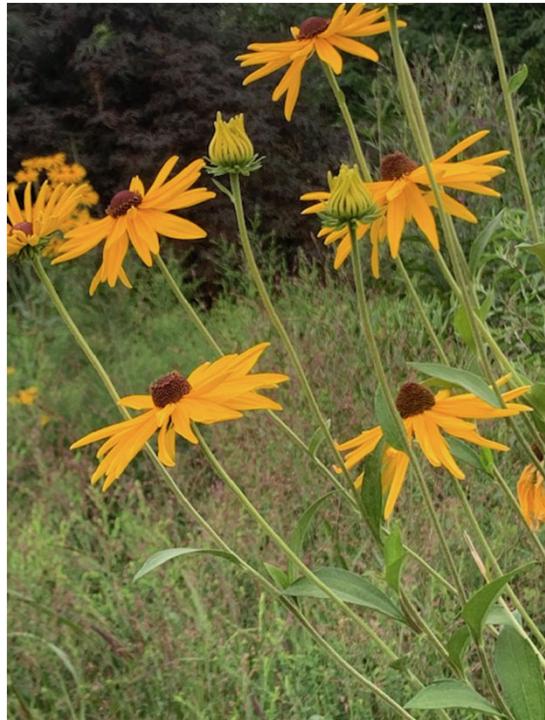


Please take a minute to complete the meeting evaluation to help us plan for future SSN meetings, coffee chats, and professional development opportunities.

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## **Optimistic Close**

*(Emotions are contagious)*



Please share in the  
chat something  
you are looking  
forward to...



# Contact Details

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## **School Culture and Climate Initiative - How We Partner with Schools**

### **The School Culture and Climate Initiative:**

- Based at the Center for Human and Social Development at Saint Elizabeth University in Morristown
- Working with schools for the last ten years in the realm of school climate improvement and SEL implementation
- Nationally recognized and award-winning programs and resources
- Also housed at the Center is the *Academy for Social-emotional Learning in Schools*

# How We Partner with Schools

- **Professional development** on topics such as trauma-sensitive classrooms, equity and cultural competence, social and emotional learning, adult self-care and more.
- Partnership and guidance through our **school climate assessment and improvement process (SCAIP)**.
- **SEL coaching** to support teacher implementation of practices that meet the needs of the whole child.
- **Assessment tools** including the *Equity and Inclusion Survey*, *Staff, Students and Parent Emotional Well-Being Survey*, and the *School Culture and Climate Assessment Survey*.
- **Connection and collaboration** with other local educators who can support your efforts and share ideas, solutions and strategies.

**Customized co-created support for 2021-2022 academic year**