During the 2020-21 school year as part of Teaching & Learning’s **Campus Initiative Professional Development Series**, the Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Department will offer an **SEL Academy**, a series of three “trainer of trainers” (TOT) sessions to introduce foundational SEL concepts and implementation strategies. We define campus wide, comprehensive SEL as comprised of four elements:

1. SEL practices and approaches embedded into campus climate and culture
2. SEL explicit skills instruction to lead SEL skill-building
3. Content integration to build intentional SEL connections throughout ongoing learning
4. SEL Signature Practices, which includes leading welcoming activities, engaging practices, and optimistic closures

**SEL Academy Logistics**

- **Audience:** We invite a campus-selected leadership team who may serve on an SEL Steering Committee to become the primary guides for SEL implementation at their campus and participate in each of the three sessions over the course of the school year.
  - If you have not previously received SEL support from our department and would like to build a campus wide SEL system, we highly recommend participating in this series. This opportunity may also be used for partnering campuses that do receive SEL support but are focusing on strengthening their SEL foundation.

- **Timing / Format:** The three TOT sessions are scheduled on Dallas ISD’s designated professional development dates (see below for dates and session content). Our Department will plan for either virtual or in-person training sessions based on district guidance at the time.

- **Support:** Trainings will be supplemented with coaching and support from our department around planning / implementing school-wide, comprehensive SEL.

- **Registration:** Principals must register their campuses via **this Google Form** and share their chosen campus initiative by **Friday, May 29th**.

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<td>Climate &amp; Culture / SEL Signature Practices</td>
<td>Fri., Sept. 25th</td>
<td>Session will cover topics such as calming strategies, Morning Meeting, and emotional check-ins with mood meters as well as SEL Signature Practices.</td>
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<td>Content Integration</td>
<td>Fri., Oct. 9th (Elem.) OR Fri., Oct. 16th (Sec.)</td>
<td>Session will cover strategies for facilitating engaged learning while integrating SEL components into content areas.</td>
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<td>SEL Explicit Skills Instruction</td>
<td>Fri., Feb. 12th</td>
<td>Session will cover an explicit SEL curriculum used to teach SEL skills for the appropriate grade band.</td>
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