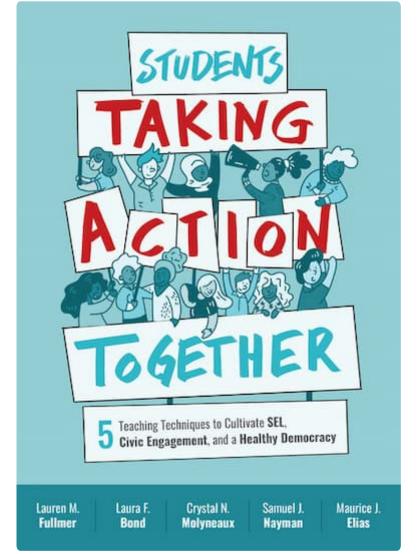


Dear Academy Members,

As we close this month, and open the doors to spring here in New Jersey, we want to take a moment to appreciate all the effort our members put in to make SEL day a success! We were heartened to hear how you celebrated with students, families, administrators, faculty and staff.



Students Taking Action Together (STAT)

We are excited to share an upcoming ASCD book from Academy instructor, Lauren M. Fullmer, and co-authors, Laura F. Bond, Crystal N. Molyneaux, Samuel J. Nayman and Maurice J. Elias. Their book, <u>Students Taking Action Together: 5 Teaching Techniques to Cultivate SEL, Civic Engagement and a Healthy Democracy</u>, provides 5 research-backed teaching strategies to support students in engaging in democratic behaviors in the classroom. The strategies allow students to master the SEL competencies and academic content necessary to be active and empowered participants in a democracy. The book provides vignettes of the strategies in action, practical teaching tips and sample STAT lesson plans. Currently, the book is available for <u>pre-order</u>.

Small Ways to Make Students Feel Important

Combining the tactics of hundreds of educators, Stephen Merrill shares <u>6 small ways to make your students feel heard</u> with examples of how to implement these techniques in the classroom. While relatively simple and straightforward, "the little things" make all the difference to students.



Women's History Resources

Move this World's CEO, Sara Potler LaHayne, has compiled a list of 8 lessons she's learned from the women in her life for the <u>Move This World blog.</u> In addition, Move This World has curated a list of <u>Women's History Activities for Elementary</u> <u>Students</u> that includes a gratitude exercise for students to thank the women who inspire them.



Upcoming Webinars

<u>Webinar #1</u>: As part of their monthly leadership series, Demystifying Systemic Social and Emotional Learning, CASEL presents a webinar focused on elevating youth voices. The webinar presents strategies to engage youth across the educational landscape.

<u>Topic</u>: Demystifying Systemic Social and Emotional Learning: Youth Voice and Engagement

Date and Time: April 22, 2022// 11AM -12 PM ET// 8 - 9 AM PT Registration Link: https://casel.org/events/demystifying_ systemic-social-and-emotional-learning-10-part-series/

<u>Webinar #2:</u> Ann Contreras of PureEdge presents a Mindfulness Meditation Series that helps you incorporate mindfulness into your daily life. With education ranking as one of the most stressful careers, mindfulness can support educators in reducing stress and improving well-being.

Topic: Mindfulness Meditation Series

Date and Time: April 12, 14, 19, 21//3 - 4 PM ET//12 - 1 PT

Registration Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GLFNz9H-REyZlD7VvengYg#/registration



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