

The Assessment Learning Network

Assessing Social-Emotional Learning

Thursday, November 12, 2020



Working Together

Norms for the ALN meetings

Norms for a Group Whose Purpose is to Learn Together...Virtually

- Mute your audio if you are not a presenter
- Use the chat feature to post thoughts and ask questions
- Be an active participant
- Be respectful
- Provide feedback via chat
- Know that this is being recorded, including all chat activity



Today's Agenda

- Overview and Welcome
- Getting Ready for Today's topic
 - Online/Blended Instruction and SEL
- Assessing Social-Emotional Learning
 - Dr. Christina Cipriano
- Break
- Practitioner Perspectives on SEL
 - Heather Vaughan-Southard and Dina Rocheleau
- ALN Resources and Future Meetings
- Adjourn!



The Vision for the ALN

- A professional learning community focused on improving assessment practices in public education
- A vehicle to promote the MAC's Assessment Literacy Standards throughout Michigan
- A conduit between the MAC, MDE, and Michigan's professional educational organizations that can work collaboratively to improve educators' assessment literacy





Who is with us today?

Please type your name and affiliation in the chat box



Welcome

Kathy Dewsbury-White CEO – Michigan Assessment Consortium



Getting Ready for Today's Presentation

How has the switch to online/blended instruction changed how you think about social-emotional learning?

A small group discussion

- You will be placed into sub-groups, in separate zoom rooms, for ten minutes
- In your group, share with colleagues how the move to online and/or blended instruction has changed how you think about social-emotional learning
- Identify one theme about our current educational context and SEL that you feel is important. (Yes, this is vague!)
- Identify one person who will type this theme into the chat once we return to the full group.
- When we return to the full group, your representative types your theme into the chat





Assessing Social-Emotional Learning

Dr. Christina Cipriano
Director of Research
Yale Center for Emotional
Intelligence



Break!



Practitioners' Perspectives on Social-Emotional Learning

Practitioner Perspectives



Dina Rocheleau Glen Lake Community Schools Middle & High School Principal



Heather Vaughan-Southard MAEIA Professional Learning Director



Systemic Approach to SEL

Effective SEL instruction has four elements represented by the acronym SAFE:

- Sequenced—connected and coordinated activities to foster skills development;
- Active—active forms of learning to help students master new skills;
- Focused—containing activities that clearly emphasize developing personal and social skills;
- Explicit—targeting specific social and emotional skills

(Durlak et al., 2010, 2011)





Sequenced

District/School needs to be on 'Same Page' with common understanding of SEL

By taking ownership teachers/staff strengthen SEL in themselves & in turn students

More likely to succeed with consistency, common language, coordinated, and intentional approach

SEL@ the Core of All We Do





Active

Build coherence through school culture experiences grounded in building relationships

Maintain consistency but build in novelty (Novelty is great for the brain!)

*SEL is not a Checklist of Activities





Focused

Embed SEL across all contexts of school/district practices & policies

SEL is beyond a program, Leverage SEL to align to all YOU do

Establish school climate & approach to discipline

*Focused not just on students, but adults – Build in adult mindset, reflection





Explicit

Dedicated time to teach, model, and practice essential skills daily

Develop Essential Skills List (DAP, by Grade Level)

Intentional Tiered System of Support





Systemic Approach to SEL

Build teacher individual and collective understanding

Use student surveys, voice, groups to support student involvement, Have students on SEL Committee

Use researched based formative assessment





Question

How do you suggest addressing the

'We need to fix kids' mentality
so that we move from an advisory model
to one that leverages student voice
and a 'listen & learn' time of collaboration
that supports a true
social emotional learning
mindset?

(Supporting more Equitable Educational Opportunities)



Tensions that arise for arts educators

- Perspective shift: teaching the legacy of the discipline or teaching the people in the classroom
- Teaching beyond my scope of practice: I am not a therapist
- Perceptions of time: How can I add one more thing?



SEL in and through the Arts

5 Competencies of SEL

Self-awareness

Self-management

Relationship Skills

Responsible Decisionmaking

Social Awareness

In the arts classrooms

Embodied Practices (nervous system to nervous system)

Instructional Design (choreographing interactions)

Teaching of processes (collaboration, feedback...)

"Compassionate"
Assessment practices
(Performance and
Formative assessment)



Curriculum-embedded, explicitly taught



Question

- How do we bridge from where we are to where we want to go?
 - Easing tensions for educators
 - Best practice in teaching
 - Assessing social-emotional learning





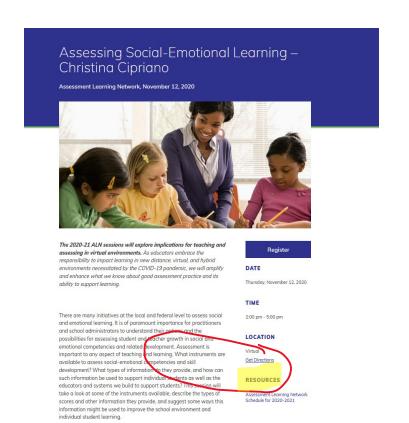
Resources Available from the ALN

Linda Wacyk
Michigan Assessment
Consortium

Today's Event Page

www.MichiganAssessmentConsortium.org/ALN

(Click on: View Resources from Past ALN events)





PRESENTER: Christina Cipriano

Christina Cipriano, holds a dual appointment at the Yale School of Medicine as Director of Research at the Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence (YCEI) and a Research Scientist at the Yale Child Study Center. As an Applied Developmental and Educational Psychologist, her research focuses on the systematic examination of classroom social processes in the promotion of pathways to optimal developmental outcomes for traditionally underserved student and teacher populations. She has extensive experience working in classrooms and schools, providing training to teachers and support staff, and direct instruction to students. As the Director of Research at the YCEI Christina oversees, designs, and maintains large-scale basic and applied research studies on: emotions, emotional intelligence, and social and emotional learnina.

EVENT RESOURCES

- A Quick Read Summary of SEL Research
- SEL Assessment Guide
- Core SEL Competencies
- YALE Center School Resources for Navigating Emotional Times
- SEL Approaches
- Back-to-School 2020 Resources—Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence

LEARNING MOMENTS

LEARNING POINTS

- What is social and emotional learning (SEL)?
- How can educators assess social and emotional learning?
- Where does SEL assessment fit in the building and district assessment system?



Learning Points Library

www.MichiganAssessmentConsortium.org/aln/aln-learning-points



A Professional Learning Community

The Assessment Learning Network (ALN) is a professional learning community of members from Michigan's professional education organizations. The goal of the ALN is to increase the assessment literacy of all of Michigan's professional educators. Through engagement and shared perspectives, this learning community invests in Michigan's children and educators by using assessment to cultivate capable learners.

The 2020-21 ALN sessions will explore implications for teaching and assessing in virtual environments. As educators embrace the responsibility to impact learning in new distance, virtual, and hybrid environments necessitated by COVID-19 pandemic, we will amplify and enhance what we know about good assessment practice and its ability to support learning.

THE ASSESSMENT LEARNING NETWORK IS A UNIQUE CONCEPT THAT:

- Is supported by the Michigan Assessment Consortium (MAC) and the Michigan Department of Education
- $\bullet\,$ Brings together the leadership from Michigan's professional education associations
- Offers regular engagements where diverse education leaders learn together about the power of assessment to support the development of our students, their educators and our state.

What does it mean to be an ALN Member? →



Learning Points

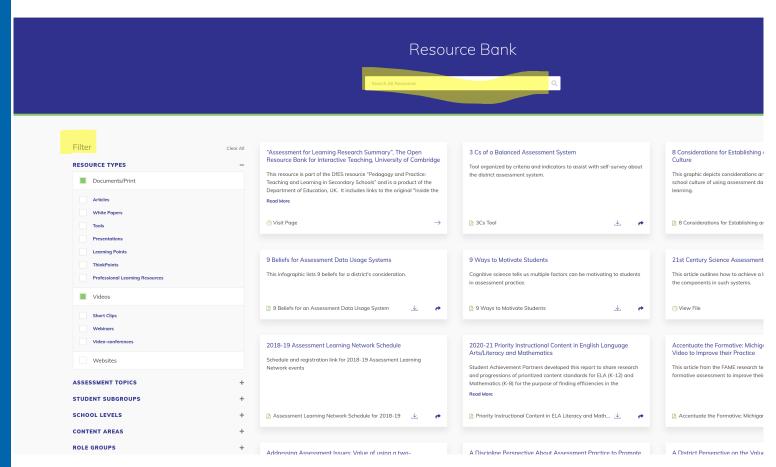
Learning Points are accurate, concise briefs that address current assessment topics.

ALN Learning Points →



Resource Bank

www.MichiganAssessmentConsortium.org/resource-bank





Future Meeting Dates



Thursday, December 3, 2020 Doug Fisher

Best Classroom Summative Assessment Methods & Strategies in a Virtual Environment

Tuesday, March 2, 2021 Joe Feldman

Grading for Equity: What It Is, Why It Matters, and How It Can Transform Schools and Classrooms

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 Susan Brookhart

Formative Assessment Strategies to Improve Distance Learning Outcomes for Students With Disabilities



Adjourn!

Thank You for Spending Your Afternoon with Us!