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PART IV

Authentic Partnerships with Families & Communities

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Transformative SEL

A process whereby young people and adults build strong, respectful, and lasting relationships that facilitate **co-learning** to critically examine root causes of inequity, and to develop collaborative solutions that lead to personal, community and societal well-being.



Transformative SEL

SEL COMPETENCY

EXAMPLES

Self-Awareness	Personal and sociocultural identities, recognition of beliefs, mindsets & biases
Self-Management	Stress management, self-care, perseverance, agency
Social Awareness	Perspective-taking, empathy, belonging
Relationship Skills	Collaborative problem solving, co-construction, effective interpersonal communication
Responsible decision-making	Ethical responsibility, distributive justice, collective well-being



Highlights of Today's Conversation

- **Identify the educator stance** required to foster authentic partnerships with families and communities
- **Discuss the importance of aligning equity and SEL** to support parent advocacy and empowerment
- **Share ideas** to avoid the danger of tokenism and position families as partners with valued expertise
- **Elevate the challenges and benefits** of engaging families across diverse perspectives and needs



Key Takeaways

- **Engage families early and often** throughout any process, from design to post-implementation
- **Provide space to bring in community partners** from the beginning of a process
- **Be clear with families** about their role in decision making
- **Utilize every interaction with families and community partners** as opportunities to cultivate trust and relationship

