

Presentation to the State Board of Education

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New Jersey Social and Emotional Learning Competencies—Proposed Revisions:

- **Self-Awareness**
 - [Identify] **Recognize** one's feelings and thoughts
 - Recognize the impact of one's feelings and thoughts on one's own behavior
 - Recognize one's personal traits, strengths and limitations
 - [Demonstrate] **Recognize the importance of** self-confidence in handling daily tasks and challenges
- **Self-Management**
 - Understand and practice strategies for managing one's own emotions, thoughts and behaviors
 - [Establish] **Recognize the skills needed to establish** and achieve personal and educational goals
 - Identify and apply ways to persevere or overcome barriers through alternative methods to achieve one's goals
- **Social Awareness**
 - Recognize and identify the thoughts, feelings and perspectives of others
 - Demonstrate an awareness of [other's cultural backgrounds and respect for] **the** differences [between] **among** individuals, [and] groups **and others' cultural backgrounds**
 - [Understand social and ethical norms in order to interact effectively]
 - **Demonstrate an understanding of the need for mutual respect when viewpoints differ**
 - **Demonstrate an awareness of the expectations for social interactions in a variety of settings**
- **Responsible Decision-Making**
 - Develop, implement and model effective problem solving **and critical thinking** skills
 - Identify the consequences associated with one's actions in order to make constructive choices
 - Evaluate personal, ethical, safety and civic impact of decisions
- **Relationship Skills**
 - Establish and maintain healthy relationships
 - Utilize positive communication and social skills to interact effectively with others
 - Identify ways to resist inappropriate social pressure
 - Demonstrate the ability to prevent and resolve interpersonal conflicts in constructive ways
 - Identify who, when, where, or how to seek help for oneself or others when needed