# SEL (Social-Emotional Learning) is the new Smart



### What?

**Self-Awareness** – Recognize/name thoughts/emotions

**Self-Management** – Ability to control your emotions, thoughts and behaviors in different situations.

Social Awareness – Empathy.

**Relationship skills**- Ability to establish and keep positive personal relationships

**Responsible Decision-Making** –Making good choices.

## Why?

**Better academic performance**: achievement scores an average of 11 percentile points higher than students who did not receive SEL instruction;

**Improved attitudes and behaviors**: greater motivation to learn, deeper commitment to school, increased time devoted to schoolwork, and better classroom behavior;

**Fewer negative behaviors**: easier classroom management

**Reduced emotional distress**: fewer reports of student depression, anxiety, stress, and social withdrawal.

It's Primary Prevention – If you manage your behavior and emotions, have respect for others, and make good choices, you aren't as likely to break touching rules.

### How?

We support SEL in our Curriculum-

Self-Awareness by naming and modeling emotions (Felty is sad)

Self-Management –by naming and respecting boundaries (bubble)

Positive relationships by encouraging kids to name trusted adults.

Decision-making – modeling saying no to peer pressure to play explorers.

Social Awareness – Recognizing Felties being uncomfortable, Buddy helping Playful

### Let's practice some SEL skills

