

Protocol: Sharing SEL Data with Families

There are many considerations to keep in mind when sharing data with families. The resources and guidelines below include some aspects that are specific to student-level SEL data, as well as some that apply to sharing school-level aggregate data.

Overview:

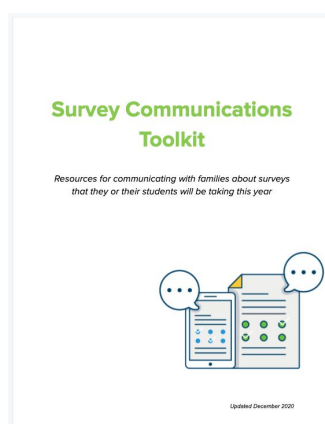
Sharing traditional student data, such as grades and attendance records, with families through report cards and during parent-teacher conferences are valuable ways to continually update caregivers on their child's progress.

Sharing **student SEL data** with families goes a step further. In addition to underscoring the importance of social-emotional learning (alongside academics) as critical in developing a successful student, conversations about how learners are perceiving their own strengths and growth areas can:

- Help to proactively guide families on how they can play an important role in extending SEL into the home;
- Generate discussions about data-driven strategies for building key SEL skills;
- Build excitement and community buy-in to support individual students' SEL needs, and;
- Build buy-in for the survey-taking process by sharing results and outcomes.

How to Share Student SEL Data with Families:

1. Provide information on what SEL is and how it is both defined and operationalized in your district.
2. Provide context about your district's SEL measurement program and the purpose of the survey process. You can use the email templates in Panorama's [Communications Toolkit](#) to write a note to the families of your students and share a PDF of the results.
3. Identify regular, ongoing events (e.g., parent-teacher conferences, SEL family nights, etc.) to share student SEL data with families.
4. When reviewing at student-level reports, use assets-based language to focus on **areas of strength** and **areas for growth**. What social and emotional strengths does the student exemplify? How does the data confirm this? What competencies should they focus on?



PRO TIP: For schools and districts that use **Panorama for SEL measurement**, we recommend that you [follow these steps](#) to save a summary of student survey results as PDF documents to more easily share and print for family members.