



Dear Parents and Guardians:

FCPS is committed to supporting all students' mental wellness and social and emotional learning. FCPS approved a Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Screener that students use to share their perspectives on how well their school and community help them develop skills they need to succeed. These skills include achieving goals, understanding and managing emotions, establishing and maintaining relationships with adults and peers, and making responsible decisions. Students also share how successful their school and community are at making them feel valued, included, and supported. These factors are critical to positive academic, social, and emotional success. All students in grades 3-12 have the opportunity to participate in the screener twice a year, in the fall and spring.

The SEL Screener elevates the voices of our students by making sure their perspectives are considered in decision-making. Screener data is used to plan programming for the division, schools, and individual students. Division and school level results, which do not include individual student information, may be used by staff to improve SEL and mental wellness practices and to inform strategic plans. Division and school level results may also be shared with the community to describe the needs of our student body and provide opportunities for partnership.

Thoreau MS students will take the SEL Screener on Monday, October 21st during tenth period/RISE. If you do not want your student to take part in the SEL screener, please return the opt-out form below to the school or complete the opt-out via Parent Digital Consent found in your SIS ParentVUE account. The opt out applies to the current school year and must be completed annually.

More information, including a short video about the SEL screener in FCPS and the screener questions, can be found on the [SEL Screener webpage](#). Please contact your student's school counselor or Thoreau's test coordinator, Erin Lynch ([emlynch@fcps.edu](mailto:emlynch@fcps.edu) or 703-846-8058) with questions.

**Fairfax County Social Emotional Learning Screener- OPT-OUT REQUEST FORM**

If you wish to opt your child out of participating in the SEL Screener, **please complete this form and return it to your child's 1st period teacher by Friday, October 11th..** As a reminder, you can also complete the opt-out in the [Parent Digital Consent](#)..

**PLEASE NOTE: You do not need to return this form unless you do not want your child to participate in the SEL screener this year.**

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ 1st PERIOD TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

For a translation of this document, please visit the webpage at <https://www.fcps.edu/registration/opt-out-forms> or contact your student's school.

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如果您需要本文件的翻译文本,请访问网页 <https://www.fcps.edu/registration/opt-out-forms> 或联系您的学生所在学校。

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Para obtener la traducción de este documento, sírvanse ir a la página web <https://www.fcps.edu/registration/opt-out-forms> o contactar a la escuela de su hijo(a).

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Để có bản dịch của tài liệu này, xin vui lòng truy cập trang mạng tại <https://www.fcps.edu/registration/opt-out-forms> hoặc liên lạc với trường của con em quý vị.