



# SOCIAL AWARENESS

The ability to take the perspective of and empathize with others, including those from diverse backgrounds and cultures. The ability to understand social and ethical norms for behavior and to recognize family, school, and community resources and supports.

**I CARE ABOUT OTHERS.**

## SEL Academic Integrated Strategies

### Grades 7-12 Integrated SEL Strategies Social Awareness

- Encourage students to get involved in a community-giving situation in which they help others.
- Do pair-shares in which one student must tell their partner's perspective on an issue.
- Have students interview other peers to discover what they have in common both within and outside the school.
- Invite business and community members to talk to students about helping and service careers.
- Ask students to participate in a service-learning project within their community that utilizes the steps of investigation, preparation, action, reflection, demonstration, and celebration.
- Involve students in youth vote and have them identify a cultural/civic group that addresses common good.
- Have students select and participate in a cross-cultural learning activity in their school or community that includes a reflection activity about their learning.
- Involve students in planning a multi-cultural day or event to celebrate all ethnic groups represented in the school and in the community.
- Assign students a current topic and ask them to interview important people in their lives to gather different perspectives, opinions, and points of view and prepare a report of their findings.
- Identify professionals in the school and community that provide support for others.
- Discuss with students how cultural events such as the Industrial Revolution or the birth of talking pictures have impacted history.