

**WELCOME to the 2024-25 School Year at Glover!**

Each month we will provide families with information about different SEL (Social Emotional Learning) skills being taught and practiced at school, and provide ideas on how they also connect to home and the community.

Students will also continue to practice the soft skills highlighted in our Portrait of an Elementary Scholar. This guide is used for all elementary students in the district to help prepare them for success in middle school. (A copy of this Portrait will be included each month as part of our SEL Family Challenge.)

We look forward to partnering with our families this school year!

**WHY SEL?**

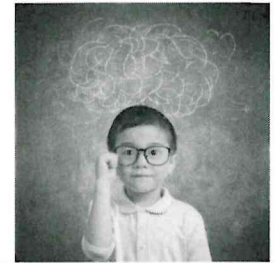
Social Emotional Learning (SEL) can help all kids and adults thrive personally and academically, develop and maintain positive relationships, become lifelong learners, and contribute to a more caring, just world.

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**SEL FOCUS FOR AUG./SEPT.: Self-Awareness**

- Students in grades K-2 will: Recognize emotions as natural and important.
- Students in grades 3-5 will: Identify that emotions are valid, even if others feel differently.



**CONNECTION TO THE PORTRAIT OF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOLAR:**

**Social Skills**

- “I am kind”
- “I am respectful”

**Ways to Practice at Home, School, & in the Community**

- Be helpful; be caring; smile; say hello; share; form new friendships; use thoughtful words
- Listen; follow directions; use manners; wait your turn; treat others the way they want to be treated

**Real World Skills**

- “I will learn every day”
- “I will be on time every day”

**Ways to Practice at Home, School, & in the Community**

- Keep your eyes, ears, and mind open; share one new thing that you learn each day
- Set a goal to be on time to school; practice following a schedule; be on time for all appointments

**TRY THIS AT HOME: “Their Thing”**

Offer to spend time with a family member doing something that you know means a lot to them. For example, playing chess with grandpa or learning the new video game your student loves.

Even though it might not be interesting to you, investing in other people’s interests is a great way to have them feel appreciated and validated.

**IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION...**

- September is Attendance Awareness Month
  - 9/19/24 Fathers Walk

Scan this Code For the Glover CLC website and school news



The SEL focus for September is **SELF-AWARENESS**.  
Our soft skills being highlighted from the Portrait of an Elementary Scholar  
are: I am kind; I am respectful; I will learn every day; I will be on time every day

All month long, talk as a family about the soft skills for this month. Look for examples of the skills being practiced in books, television shows, movies, in the community, and at home.

## PORTRAIT of an **ELEMENTARY** SCHOLAR



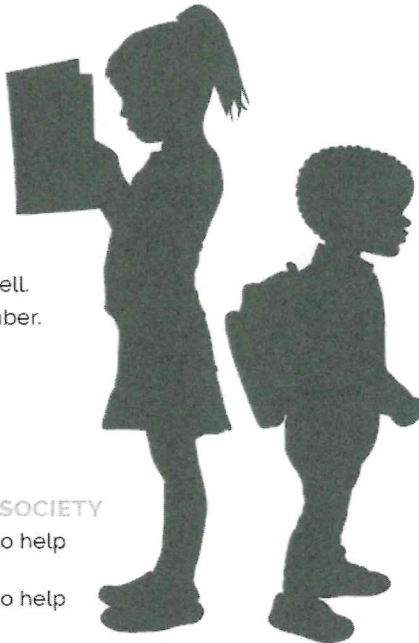
### SOCIAL SKILLS

- ▶ I am kind.
- ▶ I am respectful.
- ▶ I am a leader.
- ▶ I am confident.
- ▶ I communicate well.
- ▶ I am a team member.



### CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY

- ▶ I will take action to help in my home.
- ▶ I will take action to help in my school.
- ▶ I will take action to create a better and peaceful world.
- ▶ I will respect diverse views, races, cultures, and individuals.



### STRONG HABITS OF MIND

- ▶ I am persistent.
- ▶ I am flexible.
- ▶ I am creative.
- ▶ I am a problem solver.
- ▶ I am kind to myself.



### REAL WORLD SKILLS

- ▶ I will do my best.
- ▶ I will be on time every day.
- ▶ I will learn every day.



### A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

- ▶ I will explore careers that interest me.
- ▶ I will set daily obtainable goals.

**I AM READY FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL!**