
8 Interesting Facts About Social and Emotional Development

- 1. There is overwhelming parental support for social and emotional development.**

83% of parents who don't believe their children receive social and emotional learning at school would support it (Committee for Children, 2022).
- 2. 93% of teachers believe social and emotional development is critical to student success in school, work and life** (Bridgeland et al., 2013).
- 3. Social and emotional development yields long-term benefits for students.**

Students with SEL interventions scored 13 percentile points higher academically than their peers 3.5 years later (Taylor et al., 2017).
- 4. Social and emotional development programs yield an average return of \$11 for every \$1 invested** (Belfield et al., 2015).
- 5. Early social skills predict future success.**

Kindergarteners with strong social competence are more likely to graduate college, secure full-time jobs, and experience better mental health (Jones et al., 2015).
- 6. Social and emotional development helps reduce bullying.**

Children who develop strong social-emotional skills are 42% less likely to face disciplinary action in school (Smith & Low, 2013).
- 7. Social and emotional development boosts academic performance.**

SED programs showed an 11-percentile-point gain in academic achievement (McCormick et al., 2015).
- 8. 90% of a child's brain is developed by the age of five** (Grounded Roots Chiropractic, 2024).

