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## Student Self-Evaluation rethink Ed Survey Opt-Out Letter

Dear Broward County Public School Families,

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) has a strong focus on Social and Emotional Learning (SEL), a framework that develops life skills such as self-awareness, resilience, and grit. SEL can be defined as:

"the process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions." (CASEL.org)

BCPS values input from our students, which provides important information to help guide and plan instruction. As such, we will be asking students to self-reflect and answer SEL questions using online surveys that will be given during class time and take approximately 15 minutes.

We are partnering with rethink Ed, a third-party vendor, who provides valuable SEL resources, lessons, and videos to administer these surveys. The surveys will include questions about self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, social skills and decision-making. Student information (name, date of birth, grade and I.D. #) is used for identification purposes only and is kept confidential.

If you <u>DO NOT</u> want your student to take the survey, please click to complete this <u>electronic</u> <u>FORMS Opt Out</u> or fill out the bottom portion of this letter and return it to the school by **Nov. 10**<sup>th</sup>. If you do not return the form, then your child will default to take the survey. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Dr. Daniel Shapiro, Supervisor of SEL, at daniel.shapiro@browardschools.com.

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I do **NOT** want my child to participate in the rethink Ed SEL survey.