

RESPONSIBLE DECISION-MAKING

The abilities to make caring and positive choices about personal behavior, social interactions, safety issues and ethical standards across various settings.

I CAN MAKE SMART CHOICES.

Responsible Decision-Making SEL Competencies	Pre-K - 2 nd Grades	3 rd - 6 th Grades
Consider and use multiple factors in decision-making, including safety factors, personal and community responsibilities.	 Makes choices to ensure the safety of others and oneself. Describes classroom norms and safety factors that guide behavior. Identifies and illustrates safe and unsafe situations. Recognizes that one has choices in how to respond in a situation and that all choices have consequences. 	 Explains the importance of making safe decisions. Identifies rules and norms that affect academic and social decision-making. Makes decisions consistent with established rules and norms within the school setting. Understands bullying and how to respond to support the targeted person/group.
2. Develop, implement, and model effective decision-making skills to deal responsibly with academic and social situations.	 Practice using (STAR) stop, think, act, review strategies in decision-making. Demonstrates appropriate social and classroom behaviors (e.g., personal space, empathy and helping others, and using polite language.) Demonstrates constructive academic behaviors (e.g., persistence, engagement, and self-regulation). 	 Apply the STAR decision-making process while effectively working in a group. Apply constructive academic skills (e.g., organizational skills, communication, work habits, and collaboration) in guiding academic and social decisions. Considers the pros and cons when making decisions. Uses positive verbal and non-verbal interactions in social settings and demonstrates empathy and respect for others.