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Social-Emotional Learning Standards Expert Review Panel



Dr. Dana Godek, Founder and CEO, EduSolve

Dr. Dana Godek is an educational policy and social and wellness expert. She has served as a teacher, public school administrator, national researcher and federal/state policy leader. As the CEO of EduSolve, she leverages her experience to solve complex educational challenges in partnership with communities. As a policy leader and CASEL advisor, she produces thought provoking publications to push thinking and stimulate conversations around equitable student outcomes.

Select publications include: The State Theory of Action: Systemic Social and Emotional Learning for States, a national review of state pandemic response and the impact benefits of integrating social emotional learning and workforce preparation.



Kelly Dolan-Sapp, Project Consultant, EduSolve

Kelly Dolan-Sapp is a nationally recognized social and emotional learning policy and practice coach with almost 20 years of experience in the field. She served as the principal fellow of the Wallace Foundation's national demonstration project for social and emotional learning, with primary responsibilities for principal and teacher leader development in culture and student behavioral growth. She has served as a coach, large urban curriculum developer and teacher-leader in a variety of innovative demonstration schools and networks.

Kelly is currently earning her doctoral degree from Chaminade University of Honolulu with a focus area of adult social emotional learning.



Shanita Galatowitsch, Project Consultant, EduSolve

Shanita Galatowitsch is a special education leader and recognized diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging (DEIB) coach. She has worked as a teacher, dean of students and curriculum specialist for the past 17 years. Additional areas of expertise include microaggressions in the workplace, approaching sensitive topics in elementary literacy and transformative social emotional learning (SEL). Mrs. Galatowitsch is a published author in education leadership.



Pat Connor, Project Consultant, EduSolve

Pat Conner is a national social emotional learning (SEL) consultant to states. She developed the multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) toolkit with Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and organized national communities of practice for state leaders who are implementing systemic SEL. Pat served as the executive director of safe and supportive schools, division of special populations and student support for the Tennessee Department of Education, where she led the charge to develop SEL Academic

Standards.



Dr. Tia Barnes, Project Consultant, EduSolve

Tia Barnes, Ph.D., is an associate professor in Human Development and Family Sciences at the University of Delaware. Her research examines the social-emotional well-being of minoritized populations. She has published papers in several journals including *Infant and Child Development*, the *Journal of School Violence, Aggression and Violent Behavior* and *Beyond Behavior*. She is the creator of the Scholarly Self-Care podcast and

is the 2021 recipient of the Joseph E. Zins Award for SEL Research from the Collaborative for Academic Social and Emotional Learning.

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