



CATALOG OF PROGRAMS 2019-2020

Open Circle is a universal, evidence-based social and emotional learning program for Kindergarten through Grade 5 with two goals:

1. To proactively develop children's skills for recognizing and managing emotions, empathy, positive relationships and problem solving; and
2. To help schools develop a community where students feel safe, cared for and engaged in learning.

**Open Circle unites schools with
common vocabulary, strategies and
expectations for student behavior**

WHOLE-SCHOOL APPROACH

Our whole-school approach to social and emotional learning (SEL) includes training for teachers, administrators, support staff, and families - all adults in your school community. Our evidence-based SEL program for K-5 will help your school develop a community where students feel safe, cared for, and engaged in learning.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Open Circle's professional development is experiential and grounded in theory, research and the practical experience of educators. Schools improve Open Circle practice over time by developing Open Circle trainers, coaches and leadership teams.

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Our whole-school approach includes training for all adults in your school community – to learn how to teach, model, and reinforce prosocial skills throughout the school day and at home. Educators value our professional development, which combines research, theory, and practical experience for highly interactive and experiential learning.

BUILDING

These programs are designed to develop a foundation of social and emotional learning (SEL) in your school/district.



ADMINISTRATOR WEBINARS

CLASSROOM TEACHER PROGRAM

SPECIALIST WORKSHOP

SUSTAINING*

These programs are designed to strengthen SEL practice and whole-school integration by increasing capacity and enhancing school climate.



TRAIN-THE-TRAINER

COACH TRAINING

IMPLEMENTATION COACHING

LEADING*

These programs are designed to deepen SEL practice and implementation through shared leadership and advanced trainings.



LEADING TOGETHER

CURRICULUM REVIEW

COACH INSTITUTE

**Some courses require Completion of Classroom Teacher Program and 1 or more years' experience implementing the Open Circle Curriculum.*

BUILDING PROGRAMS



Administrator Webinars

Open Circle offer two 90-minute webinars designed for school Administrators.

Administrator Foundations Webinar introduces school and district administrators to Open Circle's goals, guiding principles, whole-school approach, key vocabulary, and alignment with the five core social and emotional learning (SEL) competencies outlined by the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL). Research shows that a principal's active support is the main predictor for maintaining change in schools and ensuring positive outcomes for students.

Administrator Leadership Webinar is designed for administrators that are already familiar with the Open Circle curriculum. Administrators will be provided with tools, skills and support to lead successful SEL initiatives in their schools. Discussed will be SEL best practices, enhancing school climate, and measuring and tracking SEL outcomes. Participants also receive an electronic copy of the Open Circle Administrator Manual and one hour of implementation support via phone or video call.

Classroom Teacher Program

The Classroom Teacher Program equips educators with information, tools, and strategies that are critical to effective Open Circle Curriculum implementation, as well as integration into academics and throughout the school day. Through interactive and experiential professional development, participants learn about:

- SEL theory and research findings;
- teaching skills to support self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, positive relationships and problem solving;
- group development theory;
- dialogue facilitation;
- mindfulness and reflection practice to support stress reduction, learning, and self-awareness;
- cultural responsiveness in SEL instruction;
- the role of adults as models; and
- leveraging children's literature to teach and reinforce SEL.

Specialist & Support Staff Workshop

Consistency and reinforcement throughout the school day support students in practicing and using Open Circle skills. This one-day workshop appreciates the unique role of specialists and support staff and explores how they can reinforce Open Circle concepts and integrate them to enhance their own work. Participants develop a basic knowledge of Open Circle vocabulary, skills and practices and create practical applications of Open Circle tools for their particular work with students.





OPEN CIRCLE OUTCOMES

Unites schools with
common vocabulary

Improves school climate

Increases students' use of prosocial
and critical thinking skills

Reduces negative behaviors such as
peer exclusion, bullying and fighting

Strengthens educators' SEL skills

Buys back time for academics through
proactive behavior management

SUSTAINING PROGRAMS

Train-the-Trainer

This program offers schools and districts a cost-effective approach for implementing and sustaining Open Circle over time. Train-the-Trainer prepares and certifies trainer candidates to deliver Open Circle's Classroom Teacher Program (CTP) and the Specialist and Support Staff Workshop at the school or district level. Through a combination of in-person and online training and mentoring, trainer candidates develop the skills, content knowledge and experience to effectively train new and existing staff. Recertification is required every four years.



Coach Training

This two day, interactive workshop trains teachers who have completed the Open Circle Classroom Teacher Program to become certified Open Circle peer coaches in their school or district. Participants develop key skills to lead the Open Circle implementation coaching model within their school. This includes exploring the various coaching roles through which they can support colleagues with Open Circle meeting implementation and facilitation using a supportive, non-judgmental approach. Participants will become familiar with ways to integrate Open Circle concepts and vocabulary throughout the school community.

Implementation Coaching

High quality implementation is critical to effective and sustained social and emotional learning (SEL). Many schools find that targeted implementation coaching strengthens SEL practice and whole-school integration. Options include:

- Video coaching for individual teachers
- Coaching for grade-level teams
- SEL leadership coaching for administrators

Schools may benefit from implementation coaching at any time – from their first year using Open Circle to many years later. This program is open to all schools focused on strengthening implementation and continuous improvement for SEL.

LEADING PROGRAMS

Leading Together



Leading Together™ is professional development for teams in K-12 schools that is being offered in **partnership with Open Circle and Courage & Renewal Northeast**. This program is built on a simple idea: *the quality of adult relationships within a school community has the biggest impact on a school's ability to improve*¹. It's a direct link. Schools are only as effective as the relationships of the people within them. Leading Together™ is designed to strengthen the relationships between principals and teacher leaders to facilitate positive, trusting relationships among all adults in the school community which can make a powerful difference for students. Leading Together™ builds capacity for relational trust by:

- Building connection and community
- Fostering teamwork and shared leadership
- Cultivating self-awareness
- Strengthening capacity to listen and be present in teaching, leading and relationships
- Sharpening ability to focus and maintain attention
- Addressing conflict constructively
- Reconnecting with what originally inspired us to be educators

This program is designed for a leadership team composed of a principal and 2-3 grade level teachers.

¹ Bryk Anthony S., and Barbara Schneider. *Trust in schools: A core source for improvement*. New York., NY: Russell Sage Foundation, 2002. & Bryk, et. al. *Organizing schools for improvement*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press, 2010.

Curriculum Review

This 3-hour workshop can be held at our regional location at Wellesley College or at your school or district. The workshop is designed for grades K-5 classroom teachers who have been trained in our Classroom Teacher Program (formerly Core Program) and are currently using a 2014 or earlier edition of the Open Circle curriculum. This workshop will provide an overview of the many updates to the curriculum and familiarize teachers with the revised unit structure, additional vocabulary, new mindfulness practices, expanded activities section, new reflection and assessment tools, streamlined problem-solving lessons, and other key updates.

This workshop is a great opportunity to refresh and reinvigorate Open Circle in your school!

Coach Institute

This one day Institute is designed to recertify Open Circle peer coaches to continue to provide high level implementation coaching and Open Circle program support in their school or district. Key coaching concepts are addressed using the Open Circle implementation coaching model along with practice to enhance individual coaching skills. Participants share coaching experiences, exchange best practices and explore ways to strengthen Open Circle facilitation, whole school integration of Open Circle concepts and vocabulary in their school. Updates on the field of Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) are also provided.

PRICING 2019-2020

Regional Programs and Webinars

Open Circle's Regional programs are held at Wellesley College in Wellesley, MA. Participants can register online at www.open-circle.org. The following programs are based on per person registration unless otherwise noted.

Administrator Foundations Webinar	\$150
Administrator Leadership Webinar	\$250
Classroom Teacher Program*	\$875
Specialist & Support Staff Workshop*	\$300
Train-the-Trainer	\$10,000 per single trainer \$16,000 per team of 2
Coach Training	\$650
Implementation Coaching	\$2,000 per day onsite \$250 per hour via phone/video call
Leading Together™	\$3,500 per team of 4
Curriculum Review Workshop*	\$400
Coach Institute (coach recertification).....	\$450

*These trainings can be scheduled for a private session at Wellesley College or on-site at your school.

Private and Onsite Programs

If you have 15-30 participants from your school or district that need to attend the same program, Open Circle recommends scheduling a private session at Wellesley College or an on-site training session at your school. Private and on-site sessions require a minimum of 15 participants.

To schedule a private or on-site session, submit a Request for Quote at www.open-circle.org/our-approach/request-a-quote.

The following onsite costs may require additional travel expenses.

Classroom Teacher Program	
(private)	\$875 per participant
(on-site)	\$12,000 on-site fee, plus \$300 per participant
Specialist & Support Staff Workshop	
(private)	\$300
(on-site)	\$4,000 on-site fee, plus \$75 per participant
Curriculum Review Workshop	
(private)	\$400 per participant
(onsite)	\$2,000 per school, plus \$225 per attendee

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