



Supporting Neurodiverse Students Professional Learning System (SNS)

Improving social and emotional skills for students with intensive functional, adaptive, and behavioral needs.

The Supporting Neurodiverse Students (SNS) Professional Learning System is supported through a grant from WI DPI to support educators and families serving students with disability-related needs in the area of social and emotional learning (SEL).

The goal of the SNS is to support a skills based approach to challenging behaviors that will improve social understanding and self-management of students. The SNS provides learning opportunities with a focus on self-regulation, social communication, flexibility, resilience, sensory processing, and executive functioning. The SNS System is beneficial to educators supporting students with autism, emotional behavioral disabilities, other health impairments and/or any other students encountering difficulty accessing, engaging, and making progress as the result of unmet social and emotional skill needs (AD/HD, mental health, etc).

The SNS helps educators identify underlying skills that require support and instruction beyond a school's universal level of support. Educators learn to utilize the WI DPI SEL competencies to help identify a student's root cause(s) (e.g. disability-related needs) that if not supported through a student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or other educational supports may result in disciplinary removals and/or lack of access, engagement, and progress in grade level instruction and environments.

Free resources and a statewide training calendar can be found at:

<https://tinyurl.com/neurodiversitywi>

Learning Opportunities 2020-2021

In-Person Trainings:

Due to the pandemic all in-person trainings for this school year have been canceled. Please check back for new content offerings in Fall 2021.

Virtual Support:

Quick Bytes - Short recorded content on specific topics

<https://tinyurl.com/SNSQuickBytes>

Deep Dives - Interactive modules

<https://tinyurl.com/SNSDeepDives>

Learning Together Live Virtual Events - Monthly 3 hour live trainings

<https://tinyurl.com/SNSLiveVirtua>

Toolkit:

A self guided tour of some of the most used resources divided up by topic. In this toolkit you will see modules, websites and book suggestions gathered by a group of long term educators from across the state.

<https://tinyurl.com/SNSToolkit>

