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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Chesterfield School District is pleased to announce the introduction of [Satchel Pulse](#) SEL, a tool to help us monitor and improve the social-emotional learning of all our students. Implementation will begin during the month of March.

What is Social-Emotional Learning?

Social-emotional learning (SEL) programs help youth and adults learn and apply knowledge, skills, and attitudes to enrich their personal and academic lives. SEL skills include managing emotions, setting and achieving goals, developing empathy for others, collaborating with others, and making responsible decisions. For additional information about SEL please note these reliable sources: [CASEL](#) and [Satchel Pulse](#).

How does Satchel Pulse work?

Satchel Pulse is an easy-to-use survey with 25 simple questions. Students (in grades 3-6) use the survey to rate their self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship, and responsible decision-making skills. There is also a teacher survey considering the same skills in grades K-6. An example of the type of questions in the survey is as follows:

Question 1

I pay attention when others are talking

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Questions
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How is this information used?

The Satchel Pulse program collects the data and formulates needs for students and classrooms. Lessons are designed to specifically address the identified areas of focus and are provided through an online database for teachers to incorporate into their instruction.

Who can I contact to learn more about the survey or the social-emotional learning program at my child's school?

Please reach out to one of our guidance counselors if you have any questions regarding your child's participation in the Satchel Pulse survey tool.

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Thank you for working together with us to ensure our students have a well rounded learning environment. If you choose to opt-out of your child participating in the Satchel Pulse survey, please complete the form through the link below no later than 2/27/23. Classrooms will be scheduled for the surveys during the month of March.

<https://forms.gle/bjTwTkVTV8wYDXXt5>

Best regards,

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