

**Resolution Removing Social Emotional Learning and Other Forms of Psychological
Indoctrination from Schools**

Whereas, public school students represent a captive, and therefore vulnerable population for fads, marketing schemes and out-and-out fraud; and

Whereas, Social Emotional Learning (SEL) diverts valuable resources from academics toward feelings, emotions, values, behaviors, beliefs and, in some cases, what amounts to moral decisions; and

Whereas, feelings, emotions, mental wellbeing, and other issues involved with Social and Emotional Learning, are addressed through the use of psychological techniques, in many cases without parental consent; and

Whereas, such techniques can and have caused harm to some who use them; and

Whereas, certain of these techniques have been found to increase anxiety and depression; and

Whereas, suicide rates and other mental health statistics have worsened at a time when Texas was adopting both suicide prevention and Social Emotional Learning programs; and

Whereas, a number of mental health professionals have spoken about the potential harms of these quasi-therapeutic programs and techniques; and

Whereas, parents have a fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, health and mental health care of their children; and

Whereas, psychological movements have a history of attempting to separate students from their parents religious and political values; and

Whereas, deeply personal and intrusive questions and surveys threaten the privacy of children and families, and ultimately the security of our nation;

Therefore, be it resolved that we urge the Texas legislature to prohibit use of Social Emotional Learning programs, and other quasi-therapeutic programs in schools, strike Social Emotional Learning competencies from the Texas Education Code, and we urge them to return academics to its place as the primary mission of public education.

A copy of this resolution should be sent to the _____ County/Senate District # _____ Convention Resolutions Committee from Precinct # _____ with the recommendation that it be passed and sent to the State Convention Platform Committee of the _____ Party of Texas.