

Webinar Series on Remote Learning

TITLE

Counseling and Student Support Online with a Focus on Social and Emotional Learning

BRIEF SYNOPSIS

As classes move rapidly online, much of the discussion has naturally focused on teaching in the online environment. While this is understandable, it is also vitally important to address students' social and emotional development and well-being during these times of challenge and uncertainty. In this session, we will explore the following questions:

- What are the benefits and challenges of counseling students online?
- What might counselors working in an online setting need to consider that differ from traditional brick and mortar school settings?
- What types of lessons and activities can counselors and other educators offer online to enhance students' social and emotional development?

While the focus of this session will be on middle and high school students at the secondary level, many of these practices may be adapted and/or translated to both elementary and higher education.

SPEAKER

Tracy Steele

SPEAKER BIO:

Tracy Steele holds a PhD in Psychological Studies in Education from Stanford University, and two Master's Degrees in counseling and education. In her current role, she supports the counseling, college counseling and academic advising offices and leads the wellness program at Stanford Online High School. Dr. Steele is an expert in counseling and online technology having published scholarly articles in professional counseling journals, written book chapters, hosted webinars and presented at national conferences. Her current research interests focus on social and emotional learning in online settings.

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DURATION

56 min 51 sec

TIMESTAMPS

[0:00](#) – Speaker Introduction

[2:28](#) – Section 1: Benefits and Challenges

[9:03](#) – Section 2: Considerations

[17:16](#) – Section 3: Social & Emotional Learning (SEL)

[25:55](#) - Social & Emotional Learning (SEL) Activities

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Q&A with Tracy Steele:

Q: Do you have to belong to these organizations to access their resources?

A: Good question. I don't believe you need to be a member to access the Virtual School Counseling tool kit. And, you can access Stanford's Online High School How To series for free.

Q: What types of information/databases/online lesson plans etc. are helpful in the school classroom?

A: The activities in lesson 3 are provided with the links on the PowerPoint, as well as in American's School Counseling Association Virtual High School Toolkit. The link will be available in the slide.

Q: Would you recommend the trend of education continue in the same fashion as now in crisis?

A: I think it depends--for some students, this is an excellent educational solution. For others, they may prefer a brick and mortar setting.

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Q: What are the ways AWS provides support for school educators?

A: AWS Educate provides tools and resources for cloud instruction. You can access these resources by applying at <https://aws.amazon.com/education/awseducate/>.

Q: What are the free platforms to conduct online class for K-12 schools in addition to Google Classroom?

A: There are many options for remote platforms and the best is completely dependent on your situation. It is best to work with your school or district to select one.

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[College Counseling Resources](#) – College Counseling Resources

[Culture of Empathy](#) – Global Empathy Movement

[Designing Your Life](#) – Designing Your Life

[School Counselor](#) – American School Counselor Association

[TEENLINE Online](#) - TEEN LINE is a nonprofit, community-based organization helping troubled teenagers address their problems.

[The Trevor Project](#) – Crisis Counseling