

Explanation of CASEL Alignment

Cloud9World is aligned to CASEL's social-emotional learning research in a number of ways. As a total program solution, all character strength stories align with the five areas of social-emotional learning. Each story in the K- 8 grade programs introduces character strengths that heavily support one of the five areas. In addition, the main character in each story models each of the five areas as they learn about the character strength within the story line. This alignment is demonstrated in more detail through the image below:



Cloud9World programs, their content and curriculum reflect the characteristics cited by CASEL as characteristics of highly effective social emotional learning programs. These characteristics include: systematic skill implementation, direct instruction of social emotional skills, opportunities for skill practice, family engagement, community engagement, skill reinforcement and reteaching



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opportunities, assessments, intervention and engagement tools, progress monitoring tools, program-specific evidence-based research studies both nationally and internationally, and a variety of virtual and in-person professional learning opportunities.

Cloud9World stands out among SEL programs in regard to their comprehensive content and SEL skill depth and breadth based on the understanding, development, and application of character strengths, a common mental health intervention. Student offerings span a five-year period of time in which content is not repeated. Social-emotional skills are built upon each other within the CASEL SEL areas and support more challenging skills. For example, 30 core strengths (such as patience, integrity, and perseverance) support 21st Century strengths (such as leadership, resiliency, and mindfulness) which also support more challenging concepts (such as equity, fairness, and diversity).

In addition to student-friendly materials, characters, settings, and language, Cloud9World offers unique flexibility in programming with an exciting eLearning Platform for students in which they can build increased understanding and application of SEL skills through interactive games and the use of puzzles, vocabulary builders, videos, and more. The eLearning Platform also provides students with individualized reading support and digital accommodations for those with special needs. Most of the content is available in both Spanish and English.