



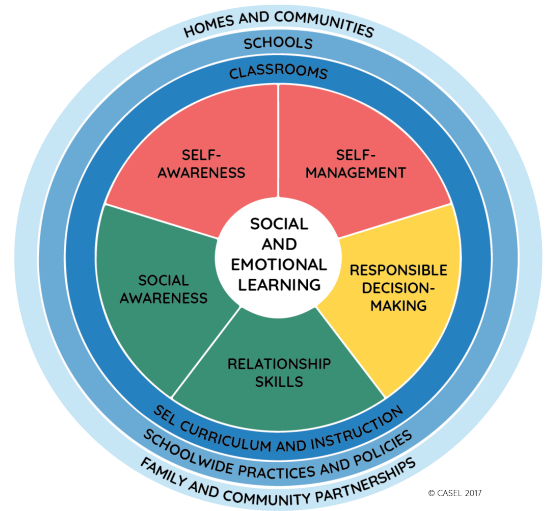
## The Business Case for SEL

Today's economy calls for us to embrace flexibility, to commit to a lifetime of learning, and to approach problem-solving creatively. Simply put, today's economy pushes us to be agile; the economy of the future demands it.

Employers are already facing workplace challenges, such as a lack of workers who possess important competencies like critical thinking, communication, creativity, and collaboration – all of which are SEL competencies.

For the program year 2017, federal expenditures on WIOA Title I Adult and Dislocated Worker Employment and Training Activities and Youth Activities is \$2.67 billion for all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

Business leaders have the opportunity and obligation to be champions of promoting SEL competencies in education outcomes because it will directly benefit their organizations when students enter the workforce ready to be agile, leading to more efficient and effective workplaces.



## Occupations Requiring Strong SEL skills



*“The pipeline to a successful workforce depends on children of all backgrounds having academic and social-emotional skills that are vital to the economy.”*

*- Jack Brennan, Former CEO and Advisor, Vanguard*

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