



Students in SEL programs increase academic performance up to 11%¹

BETTERING A NATION'S YOUTH AND FUTURE



Navigating childhood isn't easy. As they develop socially, emotionally, and intellectually – and face challenges at home, in school, and from peers – youngsters can become overwhelmed. Fortunately,

there's help. Fortunately, there's Lions Quest, the signature social and emotional learning (SEL) program from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), and Manitoba Lions building awareness of it.

"SEL programs help promote positive youth development and build skills for success in life," said Lions Quest Chairperson Gwen Argue, who, with a US\$15,000 Community Partnership grant from

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LCIF, led a multi-phase project to broadly share Lions Quest benefits with educators, students, and community members. "Children are our future. We must prepare them for success in school and to make their way in the world."

During one phase of the project, Lions Quest-certified trainers delivered an impactful Lions Quest workshop during a province-wide professional development day for K-12 educators. Representatives from local police services and Brandon University also attended. "LCIF expands our ability to help communities cultivate young people adept at managing emotions, achieving goals, and building important relationships," said Argue. "Through Lions Quest, LCIF and Lions are building healthier societies."

Youth





For the Children

During what should be a carefree time of life, many youth face daunting challenges. There is both heartache and hope:

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89%
of Canada's teachers ranked
cyberbullying as their highest
concern
of 6 options²



57%
of 15-19-year-olds in Canada
use alcohol³

Violence in School

41%
Boys
physically
assaulted at
high school

26%
Girls
experiencing
unwanted
sexual contact
at school

25%
Students sexually
harassed/assaulted
by Grade 7⁴

THAT'S CANADA. GLOBALLY, THE SITUATION LOOKS LIKE THIS:



1 in 3 students
reports being **cyberbullied**;
20% report skipping school
because of it or violence⁵

2 in 3 students
in 160 countries **worry**
about violence in and
around schools⁶



Reading scores
and **bullying** are
directly correlated⁷



Schools with **positive school
climate practices** like Lions Quest
have lower rates of absenteeism
and bullying⁸

LCIF AND LIONS

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Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Harvard University found students participating in Lions Quest reported improved perceptions of school climate, and physical and emotional safety⁹. For 35 years+, LCIF has funded Lions Quest globally. Our commitment continues.

**LIONS QUEST
PROGRAM GRANTS**
develop/expand
the program

**UP TO
US\$150,000**

**LIONS QUEST
COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIP
GRANTS**
launch/reactivate
the program

**UP TO
US\$15,000**

**LIONS QUEST
PROMOTIONAL
GRANTS**
introduce the program
to a community

**UP TO
US\$1,500**

**DISTRICT AND
CLUB COMMUNITY
IMPACT GRANTS**
apply to local district
and club projects

**GRANT
AMOUNT VARIES**

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