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### ABSTRACT

This self-assessment and planning guide is intended to help schools identify the strengths and weaknesses of their health promotion policies and programs, develop an action plan for improving student health, and involve teachers, parents, students, and the community in improving school services. It focuses on physical activity and nutrition. After presenting a physical activity and nutrition fact sheet and instructions for the site coordinator, the guide offers eight modules that look at: school policies and environment; health education; physical education; nutrition services; school health services; school counseling, psychological, and social services; health promotion for staff; and family and community involvement. The modules include instructions for coordinators, scorecards, questionnaires, and planning questions. Resources for each module are attached. (SM)





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### A Self-Assessment and Planning Guide

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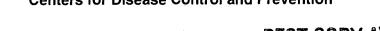
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SUBJECT: School Health Index — Elementary School

Dear School Health Advocate:

Enclosed is a complimentary copy of the School Health Index for Physical Activity and Healthy Eating: A Self-Assessment and Planning Guide. This is a tool that can help your school assess its physical activity and nutrition policies and programs based on national standards and guidelines, and it can be used as a part of your School Improvement Plan. The Index was developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in partnership with school health experts, school administrators and staff, parents, and national education and health organizations.

Look at what school administrators and staff are saying about the Index.

"It's a real energizer."

"The school staff had a very positive attitude toward the Index. They liked the comprehensive view of health promotion in the Index including the use of many different types of stakeholders."

"The School Health Index was easy to use and enabled us to clearly identify what is working and what needs to be improved."

"The Index has helped us take a new look at how we may be able to improve our physical activity and nutrition focus. Knowing that the CDC is sponsoring this program adds credibility to our results."

"The School Health Index can help every school become a center for a healthier, more physically fit community."

Please take a moment to review the School Health Index. As you will see, it's a simple, straightforward questionnaire that gives administrators, staff, parents, and students a chance to get involved and work together to create a healthier school. A small investment of time can pay big dividends in improved student health, well-being, and readiness to learn.

Additional copies of the Index and the promotional brochure can be obtained by any of the following options.

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Good luck in your efforts to improve the health of young people!

Sincerely,

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### School Health Index for Physical Activity and Healthy Eating:

### A Self-Assessment and Planning Guide

Promoting healthy behaviors among students is an important part of the fundamental mission of schools: to provide young people with the knowledge and skills they need to become healthy and productive adults. Improving student health can:

- increase students' capacity to learn,
- reduce absenteeism, and
- improve physical fitness and mental alertness.

The School Health Index is a self-assessment and planning guide developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that will enable you to:

- identify the strengths and weaknesses of your school's health promotion policies and programs,
- develop an action plan for improving student health, and
- involve teachers, parents, students, and the community in improving school services.

### Focus on Physical Activity and Healthy Eating

The first version of the School Health Index addresses school activities related to physical activity and nutrition. Future versions will address all six of the behaviors that account for most of the serious illnesses and premature deaths in the United States (see box).

Healthy eating and regular physical activity help young people stay in shape, feel good, do their best at school, and avoid developing risk factors that can eventually lead to heart disease and cancer. Unfortunately, most young people don't meet physical activity and nutrition recommendations, and more children and adolescents are overweight than ever before (see Fact Sheet on page 2).

### The Six Behaviors

Good school health programs need to address each of the following behaviors:

- Poor eating habits
- Physical inactivity
- Tobacco use
- Behaviors that result in intentional or unintentional injury
- Abuse of alcohol and other drugs
- Sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases, or unintended pregnancy

### Big Dividends

The School Health Index is available at no cost and the assessment process can be completed in as little as five hours. Many of the improvements you'll want to make after completing the Index can be done with existing staff and few or no new resources. A small investment of time can pay big dividends in improved student health, well-being, and readiness to learn.



### **Physical Activity and Nutrition Fact Sheet**

### Food Intake and Academic Performance

- Research suggests that not having breakfast can affect children's intellectual performance.
   Participation in the School Breakfast Program can improve students' test scores and reduce their rates of absence and tardiness.
- Children from families that report multiple experiences of food insufficiency and hunger are
  more likely to show behavioral problems (such as hyperactivity and aggression), emotional
  problems (such as anxiety), and academic problems (such as absences and tardiness),
  compared to children from the same low-income communities whose families did not report
  experiences of hunger.

### Eating Habits, Physical Activity, and Disease

- Poor eating habits and physical inactivity together account for at least 300,000 deaths among U.S. adults; only tobacco use contributes to more deaths.
- Poor eating habits and physical inactivity are known risk factors for heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes, high blood pressure, and osteoporosis.

### Overweight and Obesity

- The percentage of children and adolescents who are overweight has almost doubled since 1980
- About 11% of children and adolescents are now overweight.

### Percentage of Children and Adolescents (Aged 6–17) Who Meet Specific Dietary Recommendations\*

Recommendation	% Meeting Recommendation
Fat (≤30% of calories)	36%
Saturated fat (<10% of calories)	32%
Fruits & vegetables (≥5 servings/day excluding fried potatoes and chips)	18%

<sup>\*</sup>Unpublished CDC analysis of US Department of Agriculture's Continuing Survey of Food Intakes by Individuals, 1994-96.

### Benefits of Regular Physical Activity

- Helps build and maintain healthy bones and muscles.
- Helps control weight, build lean muscle, and reduce fat.
- Reduces feelings of depression and anxiety and promotes psychological well-being.

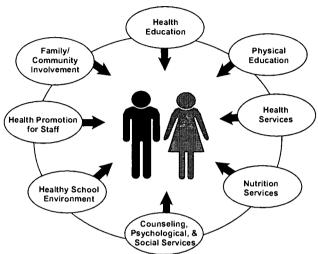
### Youth Participation in Physical Activity

- Nearly half of 12- to 21-year-olds do not engage in vigorous physical activity on a regular
- The percentage of high school students participating in daily physical education classes dropped from 42% in 1991 to 27% in 1997.
- Only 49% of high school students were enrolled in a physical education class in 1997.



### **Instructions for Site Coordinator**

1. **Review the eight modules.** The physical activity and eating habits of students are influenced by the entire school environment, not just the cafeteria and gymnasium. Therefore, the School Health Index has eight different modules, each corresponding to the eight components of a coordinated school health program shown below.



2. **Assemble the School Health Index team.** Your first step towards a healthier school is to identify a team of people who will be responsible for completing the School Health Index. You may choose to use an existing team, such as the School Health Committee, or create a new team. You may want to have the entire team work together to complete all eight modules, or you may want to subdivide the group and have smaller teams complete each module. In either case, broad participation is important for meaningful assessment and successful planning and implementation.

Below are suggestions about key people whom you may want to invite to help complete each module and plan for improvement. Choose team members who you think are appropriate to represent your school and community.

### Module 1: School Policies and Environment

Principal
Physical education teacher
School food service manager
Classroom teacher(s)
Parent(s)
Community health agency representative(s)
(e.g., American Cancer Society)

### Module 2: Health Education

Health education teacher Classroom teacher(s) Physical education teacher School food service staff member School nurse Parent(s)

### Module 3: Physical Education

Physical education teacher Classroom teacher(s) Parent(s)

### Module 4: Nutrition Services

School food service manager School food service staff member(s) Health education teacher Classroom teacher(s) Parent(s)

### Module 5: School Health Services

School nurse
Parent(s)
Community-based health care provider

### Module 6: School Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services

School counselor
School psychologist
School social worker
Parent(s)
Community-based social services provider

### Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff

Classroom teacher(s)

Physical education teacher School nurse Classroom teacher(s) Community health agency representative(s) (e.g., American Cancer Society)

### Module 8: Family and Community Involvement Parent(s)

School nurse Community health agency representative(s) (e.g., American Cancer Society)



- 3. **Meet to discuss the Index and assign tasks.** At the first meeting, explain the School Health Index (pages 5-10 are overheads for this purpose). Decide who will be working on which modules, and set a timeline for completion of the modules. When assigning responsibility for the modules, try not to overburden any individuals with too many assignments, but try to have more than one person working on each module. Working as a team will increase the accuracy of responses and tap into creative insights for improving school services. Make sure that everyone gets a copy of the Instructions, Score Card, and Questionnaire for their assigned module(s).
- 4. **Complete each module.** Each module team should answer the questions by getting any needed information and having an open discussion. Each question gives directions on how to select from the four scoring choices. Answers should be written on a copy of the Score Card. The team completing the module should then use these results to answer the Planning Questions at the end of the module. Some modules can be answered in minutes, but others might take an hour or more to complete.
- 5. **Complete the Overall Score Card** (located in the Planning for Improvement section). Collect each module Score Card and copy the results onto the Overall Score Card.
- 6. **Meet to develop an action plan.** Give a copy of the Overall Score Card to each team member. Review the results and give each module team an opportunity to present its recommendations for action as identified by the Planning Questions. Work together to decide the top priorities for each module and for the entire school.

### Tips for Completing the School Health Index

**Accuracy counts.** Please answer all questions as accurately as possible. The School Health Index is your school-based self-assessment and planning tool; it is not an instrument for auditing or punishing school staff.

The focus is on health promotion. The School Health Index was designed to assess implementation of health promotion activities across each of the eight school health components. It does not address basic administrative duties, such as bookkeeping.

There is no passing grade. The School Health Index is not intended to be used to compare one school with another. You should only use your Index scores to help you understand your school's strengths and weaknesses and to develop an action plan for improving your health promotion efforts. It is realistic to expect low scores in certain areas; low scores can help you build awareness of areas needing improvment.

Some actions are easier than others. Use of the School Health Index tool might lead your team to recommend actions that require additional resources. You might find, however, that many of the recommended actions involve simply making better use of existing resources.

**Keep the team together.** The purpose of completing the School Health Index is to start on a path to improve your school's services. Once you have started, you can keep the team together and use the Index to monitor your progress. Establish a schedule for annual assessments, so that the Index can serve as a tool for continuous improvement and accountability over time.



# School Health

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### The School Health Index will help schools to

- their health promotion policies and programs. Identify the strengths and weaknesses of
- Develop an action plan for improving student health.
- Involve teachers, parents, students, and the community to improve school services.



### promote physical activity Why should schools and healthy eating?

- As a society, we value good health.
- Good health is necessary for effective learning.
- Healthy students become healthy, productive citizens.
- Disease prevention is more cost-effective than treatment.
- The school system is the one place where most of our nation's youth can be addressed.



## activity and healthy eating? Why focus on physical

- Physical inactivity and poor diet are strongly related to heart disease, cancer, obesity, and diabetes.
- Almost all schools provide physical activity and nutrition services for students.
- An appropriate diet can positively impact problem-solving skills, test scores, and school attendance rates.
- Physical activity can reduce anxiety and stress and increase self-esteem.



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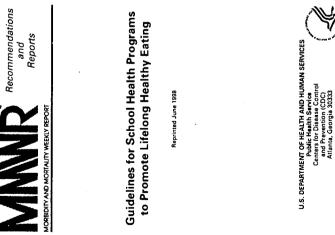
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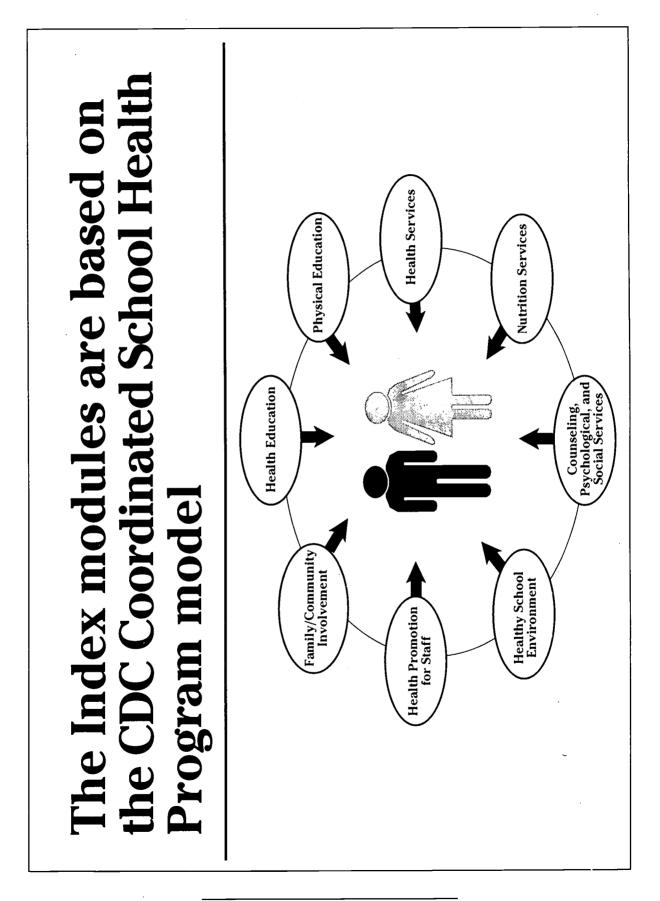
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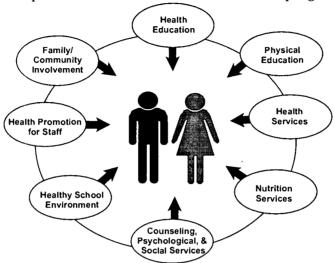






### Instructions for Module Coordinator

Physical activity and eating behaviors are influenced by the entire school environment, not just the cafeteria and gymnasium. That's why the School Health Index has eight different modules, corresponding to the eight components of a coordinated school health program shown below.



### Instructions for completing the module

1. Organize a team to complete the module. Below are some suggested team members for this module. Choose team members who you think are appropriate to represent your school and community.

Principal
Physical education teacher
School food service manager
Classroom teacher(s)

Parent(s)
Community health agency representative(s)
(e.g., American Cancer Society,
public health department)

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
- 3. Photocopy the Score Card and Planning Questions before writing on them, as they are master copies designed for repeated use.
- 4. As a team, discuss each question and its scoring descriptions, seek out any information needed to accurately answer each question, arrive at a consensus on a score for each question, and record scores on the Score Card. (Answer each question as accurately as possible. The Index is your self-assessment tool for identifying strengths and weaknesses and for planning improvements.)

Note: Testing of the School Health Index has shown that it takes approximately 1 hour to complete each of modules 1-4, and approximately 30 minutes to complete each of modules 5-8. This may not include time that it takes to seek out needed information.

- Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
- 6. As a team, based on the scores awarded, answer the three Planning Questions located at the end of the module. (The answers to these questions will serve as the basis for a meeting of all who completed Index modules to discuss overall results and plan improvements. Be prepared to discuss your findings and recommendations.)

Good luck in your efforts to improve the health of young people!



### Score Card (photocopy before using)

**Instructions:** To complete this Score Card, first carefully read and discuss the Questionnaire on the following pages which contains specific questions and scoring descriptions. After all questions have been scored, respond to the Planning Questions at the end of the module.

_		Fully In Place	Partially In Place	Under Development	No
1.1	Representative committee oversees school health programs	3	2	1	0
1.2	Written policies on physical activity	3	2	1	0
1.3	Recess	3	2	1	0
1.4	Physical activity facilities	3	2	1	0
1.5	Student access to physical activity facilities outside of school hours	3	2	1	0
1.6	Prohibit use of physical activity as punishment	3	2	1	0
1.7	Written policies on nutrition	3	. 2	1	0
1.8	Prohibit access to foods of low nutritive value	. 3	2	1	0
1.9	Fund-raising efforts support healthy eating	3	2	1	0
1.10	Time to eat school meals	3	2	1	0
1.11	Hands washed before meals and snacks	3	2	1	0
1.12	Prohibit use of food as a reward or punishment	3	2	1	0
1.13	Staff oriented to policies	3	2	1	0
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### Questionnaire

### 1.1 Representative committee oversees school health programs

Does the school have a representative committee that meets at least twice a year to oversee school health programs, including physical activity and nutrition programs?

"Representative" means that it includes relevant members of the school community, such as parents, students, teachers, administrators, food service staff, nurses, and counselors.

- 3' = Yes.
- 2 = There is a committee, but it is not representative,or it meets less than twice a year,or it does not address physical activity and nutrition programs.
- 1 = There is no committee, but there are plans to form one.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 1.2 Written policies on physical activity

Does the school or district have written policies on physical activity that commit the school to the following?

- providing daily physical education for all students in all grades
- *▶* hiring certified physical education teachers
- providing physical education and extracurricular programs that meet the needs and interests of all students, including those with special health care needs
- providing a broad range of competitive and noncompetitive physical activities that help to develop the skills needed to participate in lifetime physical activities
- providing daily opportunities for recess for all students in all grades

Examples of "special health care needs" include learning disabilities, developmental disabilities, behavioral disorders, physical disabilities, temporary physical limitations, and medical conditions such as diabetes, asthma, and scoliosis.

"Lifetime physical activities" are those readily carried into adulthood because they generally involve only one or two people. Examples include swimming, bicycling, walking, running, racquet sports, and dancing.

- 3 = Yes, for all five areas listed above.
- 2 = For three or four areas.
- 1 = For **one or two** areas.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



### 1.3 Recess

Are students provided with at least 20 minutes of recess during each school day and do teachers/recess monitors encourage students to be active?

"Recess" is an opportunity for unstructured physical activity.

Note: Recess should complement rather than substitute for the physical activity instruction students receive in physical education class.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Recess is provided for at least 20 minutes each day, **but** teachers/recess monitors do not encourage students to be active.
- 1 = Recess is provided each day but for less than 20 minutes, or it is provided on some but not all days.
- 0 = Recess is not provided any day.

### 1.4 Physical activity facilities

Are the physical activity facilities adequate in the following ways?

- both indoor and outdoor facilities are available for use by the physical education and extracurricular physical activity programs
- physical education classes do not have to be canceled due to weather extremes (rain, high or low temperatures, etc.)
- in physical education classes, all students can be physically active without overcrowding or safety risks
- for extracurricular activities, all interested students can sign up and participate without overcrowding or safety risks
- 3 = **Yes**, for all **four** ways described above.
- 2 = For three ways.
- 1 = For one or two ways.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 1.5 Student access to physical activity facilities outside of school hours

Can all students use the school's indoor and outdoor physical activity facilities outside of school hours?

"Outside of school hours" means after school, evenings, weekends, and school vacations.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Indoor or outdoor facilities are available, but not both.
- 1 = Indoor or outdoor facilities are available, but the hours of availability are very limited.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



### 1.6 Prohibit use of physical activity as punishment

Does the school prohibit the use of physical activity and withholding of physical education class as punishment? Is this prohibition clearly communicated to staff and consistently followed?

An example of "use of physical activity" is making students run laps or do push-ups as a consequence of inappropriate behavior.

"Withholding of physical education" means not allowing students to attend all or part of physical education class as a consequence of inappropriate behavior in another class or because they did not complete an assignment in another class. It does not refer to the physical education teacher disciplining students during physical education class by having them sit out for a period of time.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = **Both** the use of physical activity and the withholding of physical education as punishment are prohibited, **but** the prohibition is not clearly communicated **or** not consistently followed.
- 1 = One practice is prohibited, but not the other.
- 0 = Neither practice is prohibited.

### 1.7 Written policies on nutrition

Does the school or district have written policies on nutrition that commit the school to the following?

- ✓ serve and actively promote healthy school meals
- provide free and reduced-price breakfast and lunch for qualified students
- make foods available that are low in fat, sodium, and added sugars wherever food is served inside and outside the cafeteria
- meet the nutritional needs of students with special health care needs
- provide adequate time for classroom nutrition education

"Healthy school meals" are those that meet at minimum the U.S. Department of Agriculture's School Meal Nutrition Standards.

Examples of "wherever food is served outside the cafeteria" include classroom parties, special events, after-school programs, vending machines, school stores, snack bars/concession stands, staff meetings, parents' association meetings, and extended day programs (i.e., school-site day care for students before and/or after regular school hours).

To "meet the nutritional needs of students with special health care needs" means making necessary food modifications related to health status (e.g., diabetes, food allergies, physical disabilities). Food modifications may also be based on accommodating religious beliefs.

Note: The School Meal Nutrition Standards are provided on the next page.

- 3 = Yes, for all five areas listed above.
- 2 = For three or four areas.
- 1 = For one or two areas.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



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### School Meal Nutrition Standards

All school meals, as part of the U.S.D.A. National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program, must meet the statutory and regulatory nutrition standards defined below:

- 1. Providing one-third (lunch) and one-fourth (breakfast) of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for protein, calcium, iron, vitamin A and vitamin C for the applicable age or grade groups.
- 2. Providing one-third of lunchtime energy allowances (calories) and one-fourth of the breakfast energy allowances for children based on the applicable age or grade groups.
- 3. The applicable recommendations of the 1995 Dietary Guidelines for Americans:
  - eat a variety of foods;
  - ✓ limit total fat to 30% of calories;
  - ✓ limit saturated fat to less than 10% of calories;
  - choose a diet low in cholesterol;
  - choose a diet with plenty of grain products, vegetables, and fruits;
  - choose a diet moderate in salt and sodium; and
  - choose a diet moderate in sugars.

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 7, Volume 4, Parts 210.10(b)(c)(d) and 220.8 (a)(b)(c).

### 1.8 Prohibit access to foods of low nutritive value

Does the school prohibit the sale and distribution of foods of minimal nutritional value and other foods of low nutritive value throughout the school grounds until after the end of the last lunch period?

"Foods of minimal nutritional value" are those, defined by the USDA regulations, that provide less than 5% of the U.S. recommended daily allowance per serving for protein, vitamin A, vitamin C, niacin, riboflavin, thiamin, calcium, and iron. They include carbonated soft drinks, chewing gum, water ices, and certain candies made predominantly from sweeteners, such as hard candy, licorice, jelly beans, and gum drops. U.S. Department of Agriculture regulations prohibit the sale of these foods in food service areas during meal times.

"Other foods of low nutritive value" provide most calories in the form of fat and/or sugars but contain few vitamins or minerals. Examples include candy, chips, juice drinks, and ades.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The school prohibits the sale and distribution of foods of minimal nutritional value and other foods of low nutritive value throughout the school grounds during meal service hours.
- 1 = The school prohibits the sale and distribution of foods of minimal nutritional value throughout the school grounds during meal service hours.
- 0 = The school meets the USDA regulation by prohibiting the sale of foods of minimal nutritional value in the food service area during meal service hours.



### 1.9 Fund-raising efforts support healthy eating

Do school fund-raising efforts support healthy eating through the sale of non-food items or foods that are low in fat, sodium, and added sugars (e.g., fruits, vegetables, pretzels, or air-popped popcorn) instead of foods that are high in fat, sodium, and added sugars (e.g., candy)?

- 3 = Yes, fund-raising efforts never include the sale of foods high in fat, sodium, and added sugars.
- 2 = Fund-raising efforts **rarely include** the sale of these foods.
- 1 = Fund-raising efforts **typically include** the sale of these foods, but there are **plans to change** this.
- 0 = Fund-raising efforts **typically include** the sale of these foods.

### 1.10 Time to eat school meals

Do students have at least 10 minutes to eat breakfast and at least 20 minutes to eat lunch, counting from the time they are seated?

- 3 = **Yes**. (Note: If the school does not have a breakfast program, but does provide at least 20 minutes for lunch, you can select 3.)
- 2 = Adequate time for breakfast **or** lunch, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to increase the time.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 1.11 Hands washed before meals and snacks

Do most or all teachers schedule time for students to wash their hands before meals and snacks?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = About half do.
- 1 = Few or none do, but there are plans to increase this.
- 0 =**Few or none** do.



### 1.12 Prohibit use of food as a reward or punishment

Does the school prohibit giving students low nutritive food as a reward and withholding food as punishment? Are these practices clearly communicated to staff and consistently followed?

"Low nutritive" foods provide calories primarily in the form of fat and/or sugars but contain few vitamins or minerals. Examples include candy, chips, and soft drinks.

An example of "food as a reward" is providing candy or fast-food coupons to students because they have behaved well or met an academic or fund-raising goal.

An example of "withholding food" is not allowing a snack or meal to one student that is offered to all others as a consequence of inappropriate behavior.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The school prohibits the use of low nutritive food as a reward or withholding food as punishment, but not both; or the school prohibits one or both of these practices, but the prohibition is not clearly communicated and/or not consistently followed.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to prohibit one or both of these practices.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 1.13 Staff oriented to policies

Are staff oriented to, and given copies of, the physical activity and nutrition policies that relate to their job responsibilities?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Oriented to **or** given copies, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



### Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

These Planning Questions will help your school use its Index results to identify and prioritize changes needed to improve your physical activity and nutrition programs. Answers should be reviewed when completing the Planning for Improvement section of the Index.

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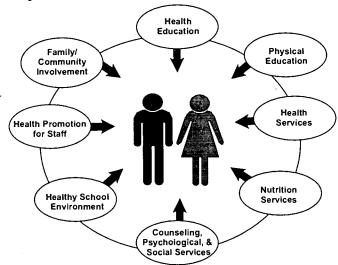
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### **Module 2: Health Education**

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Classroom teacher(s)

Physical education teacher

School food service staff member
School nurse
Parent(s)

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- Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
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### **Module 2: Health Education**

### Score Card (photocopy before using)

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		Fully In Place	Partially In Place	Under Development	No
2.1	Health education taught in all grades	3	2	1	0
2.2	Sequential health education curriculum	3	2	1	0
2.3	Curriculum consistent with standards	3	2	1	0
2.4	Essential physical activity topics	3	2	1	0
2.5	Essential nutrition topics	3	2	1	0
2.6	Active learning strategies	3	2	1	0
2.7	Opportunities to practice skills	3	2	1	0
2.8	Culturally appropriate examples and activities	3	2	1	0
2.9	Assignments encourage student interaction with family	. 3	2	1	0
2.10	Continuing education for teachers	3	2	1	0
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### **Module 2: Health Education**

### Questionnaire

### 2.1 Health education taught in all grades

Do students receive health education in all grades?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = In most grades.
- 1 = In a few grades.
- 0 = In no grades.

### 2.2 Sequential health education curriculum

Do all who teach health education use a sequential health education curriculum that addresses physical activity and nutrition?

Examples of "all who teach" are health education teachers, classroom teachers, physical education teachers, or school nurses.

"Sequential" means a curriculum that builds on concepts taught in preceding years.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Some do, and there are plans to require all to do so.
- 1 = Some do, but there are no plans to require all to do so.
- 0 = None do.
  - or the curriculum is not sequential,
  - or it does not include physical activity and/or nutrition,
  - or there is no health education curriculum.

### 2.3 Curriculum consistent with standards

Is the health education curriculum consistent with both the state standards for health education and the National Health Education Standards?

"Consistent" means that the curriculum addresses the key learning objectives identified by the standards.

Note: The National Health Eduation Standards are provided on the next page.

- 3 = Yes. (Note: If your state does not have state standards, but the curriculum is consistent with national standards, select 3.)
- 2 = It's consistent with either state or national standards, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to make it consistent with standards.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

or there is no health education curriculum.



### National Health Education Standards

- 1. Students will comprehend concepts related to health promotion and disease prevention.
- 2. Students will demonstrate the ability to access valid information and health-promoting products and services.
- 3. Students will demonstrate the ability to practice health-enhancing behaviors and reduce health risks.
- 4. Students will analyze the influence of culture, media, technology, and other factors on health.
- 5. Students will demonstrate the ability to use interpersonal communication skills to enhance health.
- 6. Students will demonstrate the ability to use goal-setting and decision-making skills to enhance health.
- 7. Students will demonstrate the ability to advocate for personal, family, and community health.

Joint Committee on National Health Education Standards. *National Health Education Standards: Achieving Health Literacy.* Atlanta: American Cancer Society, 1995.

### 2.4 Essential physical activity topics

Does the health education curriculum address all of these essential physical activity topics?

- benefits of physical activity (including physiological, psychological, and social benefits)
- components of health-related fitness (including cardiovascular endurance, muscular endurance muscular strength, flexibility, and body composition)
- phases of a workout (including warm up, workout, and cool down)
- opportunities for physical activity at school and in the community
- preventing injury during physical activity
- basic first aid (including preventing the spread of blood-borne pathogens)
- weather-related safety measures (such as avoiding heat stroke and hypothermia)
- ✓ data on illnesses related to a sedentary lifestyle
- influence of the culture and media on physical activity
- communication skills to encourage physical activity
- decision-making skills for physical activity

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Most of the topics.
- 1 = Few or none of the topics, but there are plans to address more.
- 0 = **Few or none** of the topics, **or** there is no health education curriculum.



### 2.5 Essential nutrition topics

Does the health education curriculum address all of these essential nutrition topics?

- benefits of healthy eating
- using food labels
- ✓ identifying foods that are high in vitamins and minerals
- identifying foods that are low in fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium, and added sugars
- ✓ eating plenty of fruits, vegetables, and grains
- ✓ eating plenty of calcium-rich foods
- ✓ food safety (including hand washing, food purchasing, preparation, and storage)
- preparing meals and snacks that are low in fat, sodium, and added sugars
- ▶ balancing food intake and physical activity
- □ accepting body size differences
- ✓ data on illnesses related to poor nutrition or unhealthy dietary behavior
- ✓ influence of families on dietary behavior
- how to find valid information and services related to nutrition and dietary behavior
- ✓ decision-making skills for healthy eating
- ✓ goal-setting skills for healthy eating
- how students can influence or support others to engage in healthy dietary behaviors
- healthy weight control and risks of unhealthy weight control practices (such as crash diets and purging)
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### 2.6 Active learning strategies

Do most or all physical activity and nutrition lessons feature active learning strategies and activities that students find to be enjoyable and personally relevant?

"Active learning" means activities that involve student participation, rather than lecture format.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = About half do.
- 1 = **Few or none** do, but there are **plans to** use **more** active learning strategies and activities.
- 0 =Few or none do.



### 2.7 Opportunities to practice skills

Do most or all physical activity and nutrition lessons teach the skills needed to adopt healthy behaviors, and do these lessons give students opportunities to practice these skills rather than learn only facts?

Examples of "skills needed to adopt healthy behaviors" include:

- reading food labels,
- identifying foods on a restaurant menu that are low in saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium,
- planning meals,
- gardening,
- monitoring one's own physical activity and eating behaviors, and
- preventing injury during physical activity.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = About half do.
- 1 = **Few or none** do, but there are **plans to do more** of this.
- 0 =**Few or none** do.

### 2.8 Culturally appropriate examples and activities

Do all who teach health education use a variety of culturally appropriate examples and activities that are inclusive of the ethnic cultures of the community?

"Culturally appropriate examples and activities:"

- feature people of various ethnic/racial backgrounds,
- highlight the contributions and skills of people from a variety of cultural, racial, and ethnic groups,
- do not stigmatize or stereotype any groups,
- validate and build the student's self-esteem and sense of culture and national background, and
- reflect an acknowledgment of, and excitement about, student diversity.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Most do.
- 1 = **Few or none** do, but there are **plans to increase this.**
- 0 =**Few or none** do.



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### 2.9 Assignments encourage student interaction with family

Do all who teach health education use assignments and projects that encourage students to interact with family members?

Examples of ways to "interact with family members" include:

- doing homework assignments with parents, guardian, or other family members,
- conducting surveys of family members,
- ✓ sharing information with family members,
- exhibiting student projects at school for family viewing, and
- participating in fun physical activity and nutrition-related family activities.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Most do.
- 1 = Few or none do, but there are plans to increase this.
- 0 =**Few or none** do.

### 2.10 Continuing education for teachers

Do most or all who teach health education participate in professional development/continuing education in health education at least once a year?

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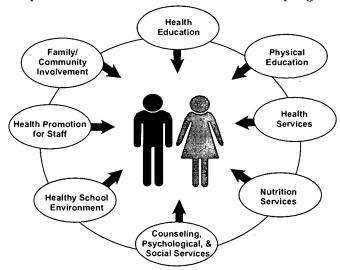
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## **Module 3: Physical Education**

## Score Card (photocopy before using)

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3.1	At least 150 minutes of physical education per week	3	2	1	0
3.2	Sequential physical education curriculum	3	2	1	0
3.3	Curriculum consistent with standards	3	2	1 .	0
3.4	Teacher/student ratio	3	2	1	0
3.5	Focus on development of motor skills	3	2	1	0
3.6	Health-related physical fitness	. 3	2	1	0
3.7	Fitness testing preparation	3	2	1	0
3.8	Safety standards	3	2	1	0
3.9	Instruction for students with special health care needs	3	2	1	0
3.10	Students active at least 50% of class time	3	2	1	0
3.11	Teachers avoid practices that result in student inactivity	3	. 2	1	0
3.12	Physical education is enjoyable	3	2	1	0
3.13	Promote community physical activities	3	2	1	0
3.14	Certified physical education teachers	3	2	1	0
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## **Module 3: Physical Education**

## Questionnaire

## 3.1 At least 150 minutes of physical education per week

Do all students receive physical education for at least 150 minutes on at least three days, but preferably five days, of the week throughout the year?

"Physical education" means structured physical education classes or lessons, not recess.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = 90-149 minutes on at least three days of the week throughout the year.
- 1 = 90 or more minutes on one or two days of the week throughout the year.
- 0 = Less than 90 minutes per week.

## 3.2 Sequential physical education curriculum

Do all who teach physical education use a sequential physical education curriculum?

"All who teach" includes classroom teachers if they provide any physical education instruction at your school.

"Sequential" means a curriculum that builds on concepts taught in preceding years.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Some do, and there are plans to require all to do so.
- 1 = Some do, but there are no plans to require all to do so.
- 0 = None do,
  - or the curriculum is not sequential, or there is no physical education curriculum.

#### 3.3 Curriculum consistent with standards

Is the physical education curriculum consistent with both the state standards for physical education and the National Standards for Physical Education?

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- 2 = It's consistent with either state or national standards, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to make it consistent with standards.
- 0 = No

or there is no physical education curriculum.



## National Standards for Physical Education

A physically educated person:

- 1. Demonstrates competency in many movement forms and proficiency in a few movement forms.
- 2. Applies movement concepts and principles to the learning and development of motor skills.
- 3. Exhibits a physically active lifestyle.
- 4. Achieves and maintains a health-enhancing level of physical fitness.
- 5. Demonstrates responsible personal and social behavior in physical activity settings.
- 6. Demonstrates understanding and respect for differences among people in physical activity settings.
- 7. Understands that physical activity provides opportunities for enjoyment, challenge, self-expression, and social interaction.

National Association for Sport and Physical Education. *Moving into the Future: National Standards for Physical Education*. Boston: WCB/McGraw-Hill, 1995.

#### 3.4 Teacher/student ratio

Do physical education classes have a teacher/student ratio comparable to other classes?

"Comparable" means approximately the same number of students per teacher as other classes.

Note: Aides or volunteers should not be counted as teachers in the teacher/student ratio.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The ratio is **somewhat larger** (e.g., up to one and a half times larger) than most other classes.
- 1 = The ratio is **considerably larger** (e.g., more than one and a half times larger), but there are **plans to decrease** it.
- 0 = The ratio is **considerably larger** (e.g., more than one and a half times larger), and there are **no plans** to decrease it.

## 3.5 Focus on development of motor skills

Does the physical education program focus on students' development of many motor skills and use of these skills in various movement forms?

"Motor skills" means fundamental skills (e.g., running, skipping, throwing, striking) and specialized skills (e.g., a swim stroke, tennis serve, chest pass).

Examples of "movement forms" include:

- ✓ various forms of dance (e.g., folk, ballroom, popular),
- ✓ various individual/dual sports (e.g., running, golf, tennis, gymnastics),
- various team sports (soccer, softball, basketball, volleyball), and
- w swimming and other aquatic activities (e.g., diving, water aerobics, water polo).
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = It focuses on students' development of **some** motor skills and use of these skills in various movement forms.
- 1 = It focuses on development of motor skills, but they are practiced in few or no movement forms.
- 0 = There is **little or no focus** on development of motor skills.



## 3.6 Health-related physical fitness

Does the physical education program integrate instruction on health-related fitness into many lessons throughout the year?

"Integrate instruction" means providing opportunities for students to learn and practice:

- knowledge related to health-related fitness,
- behavioral skills related to health-related fitness,
- physical activities that contribute to health-related fitness, and
- ✓ self-assessment of health-related fitness.

"Health-related fitness" means cardiovascular endurance, flexibility, muscular strength, muscular endurance, and body composition.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Into only **some** lessons.
- 1 = Into one or two lessons (e.g., as part of a fitness unit and/or fitness testing).
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

#### 3.7 Fitness testing preparation

Do physical education teachers properly prepare students for fitness testing before it is conducted?

Note: If you do not conduct fitness testing, skip this question.

By "properly prepare" we mean that students:

- are oriented to the testing procedures,
- have been provided with opportunities to practice the tests, and
- understand what the results mean and how to apply them.
- 3 = Yes, in all three ways listed above.
- 2 = In two of the ways.
- 1 = In one or none of the ways, but there are plans for more thorough preparation.
- 0 = In one or none of the ways.

## 3.8 Safety standards

Does the physical education program follow safety standards related to the following?

- adequate supervision
- ✓ use of protective clothing and safety equipment
- appropriate dress and footwear
- regular inspection and repair of facilities and equipment
- minimizing exposure to sun, smog, and extreme temperatures
- infection control practices for handling blood and other body fluids
- 3 =Yes, for all six of the issues listed above.
- 2 = For **four or five** of the issues.
- 1 =For three of the issues.
- 0 =For **two or less** of the issues.



## 3.9 Instruction for students with special health care needs

Does the physical education program consistently use instructional practices that are appropriate for students with special health care needs?

Examples of such "instructional practices" include:

- conducting adapted physical education classes,
- adapting physical education goals and objectives,
- adapting tests,
- adapting sports and activities,
- using modified equipment and facilities,
- utilizing a second teacher, aide, physical therapist or occupational therapist to assist, and
- utilizing peer teaching (e.g., teaming students without special health care needs and students with special health care needs).

Examples of "special health care needs" include learning disabilities, developmental disabilities, behavioral disorders, physical disabilities, temporary physical limitations, and medical conditions such as diabetes, asthma, and scoliosis.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The physical education program uses at least some of these instructional practices, **but not consistently** (e.g., not by all teachers or not in all classes that include students with special health care needs).
- 1 = None of the practices are used, but there are plans to implement some.
- 0 =**None** of the practices are used.

#### 3.10 Students active at least 50% of class time

Do teachers keep students moderately to vigorously active at least 50% of the time during most or all physical education classes?

"Moderately to vigorously active" means engaging in physical activity that is equal in intensity to, or more strenuous than, fast walking.

"At least 50% of the time" means at least half of the total time scheduled for a physical education class session.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = During **about half** of the classes.
- 1 = During few or none of the classes, but there are plans to increase activity time.
- 0 = During few or none of the classes.



## 3.11 Teachers avoid practices that result in student inactivity

Do teachers avoid using practices that result in some students spending considerable time being inactive in physical education classes?

Examples of such "practices" include:

- using games that eliminate students,
- having many students stand in line or on the sidelines watching others and waiting for a turn,
- organizing activities in which less than half of the students have a piece of equipment and/or a physically active role, and
- ✓ allowing highly-skilled students to dominate activities and games.
- 3 =They never use these practices.
- 2 = They **seldom** use these practices.
- 1 = They frequently use these practices, but there are plans to stop using them.
- 0 = They frequently use these practices.

## 3.12 Physical education is enjoyable

Do most students, including most of those who are athletically gifted and most of those who are not athletically gifted, find physical education to be an enjoyable experience?

- 3 = Yes, most of one group and most of the other group find it to be enjoyable.
- 2 = **Mos**t of one group, **but** few of the other group find it to be enjoyable.
- 1 = Few in both groups find it to be enjoyable, but there are plans to make it more enjoyable.
- 0 = **Few** in both groups find it to be enjoyable.

## 3.13 Promote community physical activities

Does the physical education program use three or more methods to promote student participation in a variety of community physical activity programs?

Examples of "methods" include:

- discussions in class,
- bulletin boards,
- public address announcements,
- take-home flyers,
- homework assignments,
- newsletter articles, and
- giving credit for participation in community physical activities and programs.

Examples of "community physical activity programs" are clubs, teams, recreational classes, special events, and use of playgrounds, parks, and bike paths.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The physical education program promotes participation, **but** only through one or two methods,
  - or only in one or two types of programs.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



## 3.14 Certified physical education teachers

Are all physical education classes taught by certified physical education teachers?

"Certified" means those teachers who have been awarded a credential by the state permitting them to teach physical education.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Some are taught by a certified physical education teacher, and the remainder are taught by classroom teachers with supervision and mentoring from a certified physical education teacher.
- 1 = **Some** are taught by a certified physical education teacher, but the **remainder are taught by** classroom teachers without supervision and mentoring from a certified physical education teacher.
- 0 = **No** classes are taught by certified physical education teachers.

## 3.15 Continuing education for teachers

Do most or all who teach physical education participate in professional development/continuing education in physical education at least once a year?

"Professional development/continuing education" means on-site (e.g., school, district) and off-site (e.g., city, state, national) training opportunities.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = About half do.
- 1 = Few or none do, but there are plans for more to participate.
- 0 =**Few or none** do.



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	school's physical education program?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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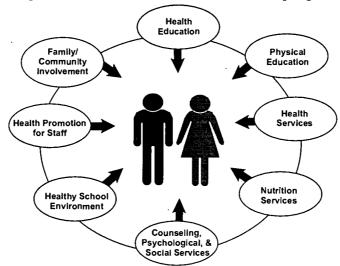
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## **Module 4: Nutrition Services**

## Instructions for Module Coordinator

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## Instructions for completing the module

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School food service manager Classroom teacher(s)
School food service staff member(s)
Parent(s)
Health education teacher

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
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- 5. Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
- 6. As a team, based on the scores awarded, answer the three Planning Questions located at the end of the module. (The answers to these questions will serve as the basis for a meeting of all who completed Index modules to discuss overall results and plan improvements. Be prepared to discuss your findings and recommendations.)

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## **Module 4: Nutrition Services**

## Score Card (photocopy before using)

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		Fully In Place	Partially In Place	Under Development	No
$\overline{4.1}$	School breakfast and lunch programs	3	2	1	0
4.2	Variety of foods in school meals	3	2	1	0
4.3	Low-fat and skim milk available	3	2	1	0
4.4	Meals include appealing, low-fat choices of fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products  A la carte offerings include appealing, low-fat choices of fruits, vegetables,	3	2 .	1	0
	grains, and dairy products	3	2	1	0
4.6	Venues outside the cafeteria offer appealing, low-fat fruits, vegetables, grains, or dairy products	3	2	1	0
4.7	Food purchasing and preparation practices to reduce fat content	3	2	1	0
4.8	Food serving practices to moderate fat and sodium intake	3	2	1	0
4.9	Healthy cafeteria selections promoted	3	2	1	0
4.10	Clean, safe, and pleasant cafeteria	3	2	1	0
4.11	Food emergency preparedness	3	2	1	0
4.12	Collaboration between food service staff and teachers	3	2	1	0
4.13	Food service manager's degree and certification	3	2	1	0
4.14	Continuing education for food service manager	3	2	1	0
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Mult	iply by the point value	x 3	x 2	x 1	<b>x</b> 0
Subt	otals		+		0
Total	points earned				
Total	points possible		42		
Perce	entage (total points earned/42) x 100	53	9	<b>6</b>	•



## **Module 4: Nutrition Services**

## Questionnaire

## 4.1 School breakfast and lunch programs

Does the school offer nutritious breakfast and lunch programs that are fully accessible to all students?

"Nutritious breakfast and lunch programs" means school- or district-sponsored programs that are designed to meet the U.S. Department of Agriculture's School Meal Nutrition Standards.

"Fully accessible" means that the school offers free and reduced-price meals for students who meet income requirements in a way that ensures that these students are not identified by other students as recipients of these programs and that the school coordinates class and bus transportation schedules so that all students can participate in the breakfast and lunch programs.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The school offers breakfast and lunch programs, **but** they are not fully accessible to all students.
- 1 = The school offers only a lunch program, but there are plans to add a breakfast program.
- 0 = The school offers only a lunch program,or the school does not offer a breakfast or lunch program.

#### School Meal Nutrition Standards

All school meals, as part of the U.S.D.A. National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program, must meet the statutory and regulatory nutrition standards defined below:

- 1. Providing one-third (lunch) and one-fourth (breakfast) of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for protein, calcium, iron, vitamin A and vitamin C for the applicable age or grade groups.
- 2. Providing one-third of lunchtime energy allowances (calories) and one-fourth of the breakfast energy allowances for children based on the applicable age or grade groups.
- 3. The applicable recommendations of the 1995 Dietary Guidelines for Americans:
  - eat a variety of foods;
  - ✓ limit total fat to 30% of calories;
  - ✓ limit saturated fat to less than 10% of calories;
  - choose a diet low in cholesterol;
  - choose a diet with plenty of grain products, vegetables, and fruits;
  - choose a diet moderate in salt and sodium; and
  - choose a diet moderate in sugars.

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 7, Volume 4, Parts 210.10 (b)(c)(d) and 220.8 (a)(b)(c).



## 4.2 Variety of foods in school meals

Do school meals include a variety of foods?

"School meals" means a set of foods that meets school meal program regulations. This does not include a la carte line foods.

"Variety" means that at least:

- two entrees are offered for lunch daily,
- two choices of fruit or 100% fruit juice are offered for lunch daily,
- two choices of vegetables are offered for lunch daily, and
- five foods containing whole grain are offered weekly.
- 3 = **Yes**, for all **four** criteria.
- 2 = For three criteria
- 1 = For **one or two** criteria.
- 0 = No criteria are met.

#### 4.3 Low-fat and skim milk available

Does the school food service offer low-fat and skim milk every day?

"Low-fat" means either ½% or 1% fat.

- 3 = Yes, low-fat and skim milk are offered every day.
- 2 = Either low-fat or skim milk is offered every day.
- 1 = Low-fat or skim milk is offered, but **not every day**.
- 0 =**Neither** is offered any day.

## 4.4 Meals include appealing, low-fat choices of fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products

Do school meals every day include at least one appealing, low-fat choice from each of the following food groups: fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products?

"Appealing" choices are food items that are acceptable to the majority of students, as indicated by some kind of evaluation, such as plate waste or analysis of student food choices.

"Low-fat" means items that contain no more than 3 grams of fat per serving. In most cases, this would not include items such as fried potatoes, other fried foods, foods cooked with or covered with butter or margarine, fruits in pies or cobblers, cookies, cakes, and other pastries.

Examples of "low-fat grains" include:

- pastas
- cereals, and
- bread products.

Note: School breakfasts should not be expected to include vegetables.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = From three of those food groups.
- 1 = From **one or two** of those food groups.
- 0 = Low-fat choices are offered from one or more of the groups, but the appeal of the choices offered has **not been evaluated**.



## 4.5 A la carte offerings include appealing, low-fat choices of fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products

Do the a la carte offerings every day include at least one appealing, low-fat choice from each of the following food groups: fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products?

"A la carte offerings" mean a set of foods from which students can choose individual items that are not usually counted as part of a reimbursable meal.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = From three of those food groups.
- 1 = From **one or two** of those food groups.
- 0 = Low-fat choices are offered from one or more of the groups, but the appeal of the choices offered has not been evaluated.

## 4.6 Venues outside the cafeteria offer appealing, low-fat fruits, vegetables, grains, or dairy products

Do most or all venues outside the cafeteria offer appealing, low-fat fruits, vegetables, grains, or dairy products?

Examples of "venues outside the cafeteria" are:

- concession stands,
- vending machines,
- school stores or canteens,
- parties and special events,
- meetings, and
- extended day programs (i.e., school-sponsored day care or after-school programs).
- 3 = Yes
- 2 = About half of the venues do.
- 1 = Less than half do, but there are plans to start including these types of food items in more venues.
- 0 =**Few or none** do.



## 4.7 Food purchasing and preparation practices to reduce fat content

Does the school food service consistently engage in food preparation practices that reduce the fat content of foods served?

Examples of such "practices" include:

- spoon solid fat from chilled meat or poultry broth before using,
- adjust specifications for pre-prepared foods such as hamburgers, pizzas, chicken nuggets, etc. to require lower fat content,
- rinse browned meat with hot water to remove grease before adding to other ingredients,
- remove skin from poultry before or after cooking,
- roast, bake, or broil meat rather than fry it,
- roast meat/poultry on rack so fat will drain,
- use low-fat or reduced-fat cheese on pizza,
- prepare vegetables using little or no fat, and
- cook with non-stick spray or pan liners rather than grease or oil.
- 3 = Yes, for all nine practices listed above.
- 2 = For five to eight practices.
- 1 = For three or four practices.
- 0 = For **two or fewer** practices.

## 4.8 Food serving practices to moderate fat and sodium intake

Does the school food service consistently follow food serving practices that make it easier for students to moderate their fat and sodium intake?

Examples of such "practices" include:

- offering low-fat spreads, such as jam, jelly, or honey, for breads and rolls,
- offering low-fat salad dressings,
- not providing butter or margarine as a spread, and
- not providing salt on tables.
- 3 = Yes, for all four practices listed above.
- 2 = For two or three practices.
- 1 = For **one** practice.
- 0 = None of these practices are followed.



## 4.9 Healthy cafeteria selections promoted

Are cafeteria selections low in fat, sodium, and added sugars consistently promoted and advertised?

Examples of ways to "promote and advertise" include:

- display nutritional information about available foods,
- display promotional materials,
- highlight healthy cafeteria selections in menus that are distributed or posted,
- offer taste-testing opportunities, and
- make school-wide audio or video announcements.
- 3 = Yes, through three or more promotion methods.
- 2 = Through one or two methods.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

#### 4.10 Clean, safe, and pleasant cafeteria

Does the school provide students with a safe, clean, and pleasant cafeteria?

Criteria for "safe, clean, and pleasant" are:

- the cafeteria has a physical structure (e.g., walls, floor covering) that does not need repairs,
- tables and chairs are without damage and are the appropriate size for all students,
- ✓ seating is not overcrowded (e.g., never more than 100% of capacity),
- rules for safe behavior (e.g., no running, no throwing of food or utensils) are enforced,
- tables and floors are cleaned between lunch periods or shifts,
- age-appropriate decorations are used,
- appropriate practices are used to prevent excessive noise levels (i.e., no whistles or traffic lights),
- smells are pleasant and not offensive, and
- the cafeteria has appropriate eating devices when needed for students with special health care needs.
- 3 = Yes, for all nine criteria listed above.
- 2 = For five to eight criteria.
- 1 = For three or four criteria.
- 0 = For **two or fewer** criteria.

## 4.11 Food emergency preparedness

Are school food service staff trained to respond quickly and effectively to the following types of food emergencies?

- choking
- natural disasters (e.g., electrical outages affecting refrigeration)
- 3 = Yes, for all three types of emergencies.
- 2 = For two types.
- 1 = For one type.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



#### 4.12 Collaboration between food service staff and teachers

Do food service staff and teachers collaborate to reinforce nutrition education lessons taught in the classroom?

Examples of ways to "collaborate" include:

- participate in the design and implementation of nutrition education programs,
- display educational and informational materials that reinforce classroom lessons,
- provide food to be used in classroom nutrition education lessons,
- provide ideas for classroom nutrition education lessons,
- teach a lesson or give a presentation to students, and
- provide cafeteria tours for classes.
- .3 = Yes, through three or more collaboration methods listed above.
- 2 = Through a one or two methods, but there are plans to use additional methods.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

## 4.13 Food service manager's degree and certification

Does the school's food service manager have a nutrition-related baccalaureate or graduate degree and certification/credentialing in food service from either the state or the American School Food Service Association?

- 3 = Yes, a degree and certification/credentialing.
- 2 = A degree or certification/credentialing, but not both.
- 1 = Neither a degree nor certification/credentialing, but he/she is working on one or both.
- 0 = **Neither** a degree nor certification.

## 4.14 Continuing education for food service manager

Does the food service manager participate in professional development/continuing education on meeting the Dietary Guidelines for Americans (e.g., meal planning, recipe modification and substitutions, food purchasing and preparation practices) and on nutrition education to promote healthy eating choices at least once a year?

"Professional development/continuing education" means on-site (school, district) and off-site (city, state, national) training opportunities.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = On one topic, but not the other.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to participate in the near future.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



# Module 4: Nutrition Services Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

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1.	Based on the scores earned for each question, what are the strengths and weaknesses of your
	school's nutrition services?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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Rate each of the recommendations identified in question 2 on the following five aspects: importance, cost, time, commitment, and feasibility. Rate each aspect on a scale of 1 to 5 using the chart below. 8

	How important is the recommendation?
Importance	5 = Very important
Turportance	3 = Somewhat important
	1 = Not very important
	How expensive would it be to plan and implement the recommendation?
Cost	5 = Not very expensive
	3 = Moderately expensive
:	1 = Very expensive
	How much time and effort would be needed to implement the recommendation?
	5 = Modest time and effort
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	1 = Very high time and effort
	How enthusiastic would the school community be about implementing the recommendation?
Commitment	5 = Very enthusiastic
	3 = Somewhat enthusiastic
	1 = Not enthusiastic
	How attainable is the recommendation?
Feasibility	5 = Fairly easy to attain
	3 = Somewhat difficult to attain
	1 = Very difficult to attain

Recommendations	Importance	Cost	Time	Commitment	Feasibility Total Points

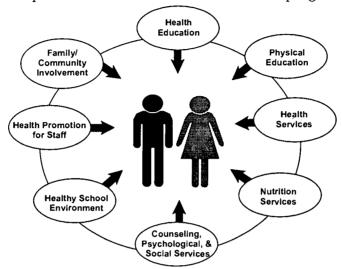




## **Module 5: School Health Services**

## Instructions for Module Coordinator

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## Instructions for completing the module

1. Organize a team to complete the module. Below are some suggested team members for this module. Choose team members who you think are appropriate to represent your school and community.

School nurse

Parent(s)

Community-based health care provider

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
- 3. Photocopy the Score Card and Planning Questions before writing on them, as they are master copies designed for repeated use.
- 4. As a team, discuss each question and its scoring descriptions, seek out any information needed to accurately answer each question, arrive at a consensus on a score for each question, and record scores on the Score Card. (Answer each question as accurately as possible. The Index is your self-assessment tool for identifying strengths and weaknesses and for planning for improvements.)

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## **Module 5: School Health Services**

## Score Card (photocopy before using)

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		Fully In Place	Partially In Place	Under Development	No
5.1	Promote physical activity	3	2	1	0
5.2	Promote healthy eating	3	2	1	0
5.3	Collaborate with staff	3	2	1	0
5.4	Identify and refer students with problems	3	2	1	0
5.5	Student medical information relevant to physical activity	3	2	1	0
5.6	Student medical information relevant to special dietary needs	3	2	1	0
	l the number of circled responses each column				
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Sub	totals		- [ .	+	0
Tota	l points earned				
Tota	l points possible		1	8	
Perc	entage (total points earned/18) x 100			%	



## Module 5: School Health Services

## Questionnaire

## 5.1 Promote physical activity

Does the school nurse or other health services provider actively promote physical activity to students and their families through the following?

- distribution of educational materials
- individual advice
- **✓** small group discussions
- presentations

"School nurse" means a licensed nurse employed by the school or district.

"Other health services provider" means a health professional from the community providing service to the school on either a contracted or volunteer basis.

- 3 = Yes, through three or four of the methods listed above.
- 2 = Through **one or two** of the methods listed above.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$

or the school does not have a school nurse or other health services provider.

## 5.2 Promote healthy eating

Does the school nurse or other health services provider actively promote healthy eating to students and their families through the following?

- **✓** distribution of educational materials
- individual advice
- **✓** small group discussions
- presentations
- 3 = Yes, through three or four of the methods listed above.
- 2 = Through **one or two** of the methods listed above.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$

or the school does not have a school nurse or other health services provider.



#### 5.3 Collaborate with staff

Does the school nurse or other health services provider collaborate with other school staff to promote physical activity and healthy eating?

Examples of ways to "collaborate" include:

- policy development,
- curriculum development,
- unit/lesson planning,
- special events and projects,
- in-service training on the health and academic benefits of physical activity and good nutrition, and
- encourage screening and referral of students.

Examples of "other school staff" include:

- counselors,
- psychologists,
- social workers,
- health education teachers,
- physical education teachers,
- classroom teachers, and
- food service staff.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Collaborates to promote physical activity or healthy eating, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to collaborate.
- 0 = No

or the school does not have a school nurse or other health services provider.

## 5.4 Identify and refer students with problems

Does the school nurse or other health services provider identify students with physical activity- and nutrition-related problems? Are those students referred to the appropriate school- or community-based services?

Examples of "physical activity- and nutrition-related problems" include:

- obesity,
- r asthma,
- anemia.
- diabetes,
- eating disorders, and
- food allergies.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Identifies students, **but** does not refer them to appropriate services **or** refers them only to school-based services.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do start identifying and referring students.
- 0 = No

or the school does not have a school nurse or other health services provider.



## 5.5 Student medical information relevant to physical activity

Is student medical information collected at least once a year that is relevant to participation in physical activity (e.g., chronic medical conditions such as asthma)? When necessary and parents or guardians give permission, is this information provided to physical education teachers and classroom teachers?

Examples of "appropriate staff members" include:

- physical education teachers,
- classroom teachers,
- recess supervisors, and
- ✓ individuals conducting school-sponsored before- or after-school physical activity programs.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Someone collects the information, but it is collected less than once a year or it is not provided to all appropriate staff (e.g., physical education teacher receives the information but recess supervisor does not).
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start collecting and sharing it with appropriate staff.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

## 5.6 Student medical information relevant to special dietary needs

Is student medical information collected at least once a year that is relevant to special dietary needs of students (e.g., food allergies, diabetes)? When necessary and parents or guardians give permission, is this information provided to food service staff and classroom teachers?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Someone collects the information, **but** it is collected less than once a year, **or** it is not provided to food service staff and/or classroom teachers.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start collecting and sharing it with appropriate staff.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



# Module 5: School Health Services Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

These Planning Questions will help your school use its Index results to identify and prioritize changes needed to improve your physical activity and nutrition programs. Answers should be reviewed when completing the Planning for Improvement section of the Index.

1.	Based on the scores earned for each question, what are the strengths and weaknesses of your
	school's health services?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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Rate each of the recommendations identified in question 2 on the following five aspects: importance, cost, time, commitment, and feasibility. Rate each aspect on a scale of 1 to 5 using the chart below. ω.

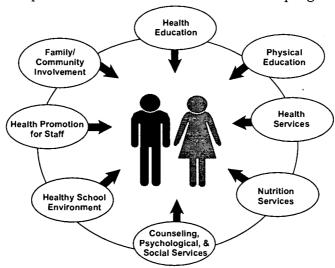
	How important is the recommendation?
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	1 = Not very important
	How expensive would it be to plan and implement the recommendation?
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	3 = Moderately expensive
	1 = Very expensive
	How much time and effort would be needed to implement the recommendation?
Time	5 = Modest time and effort
	3 = Somewhat high time and effort
	1 = Very high time and effort
	How enthusiastic would the school community be about implementing the recommendation?
Commitment	5 = Very enthusiastic
	3 = Somewhat enthusiastic
	1 = Not enthusiastic
	How attainable is the recommendation?
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	1 = Very difficult to attain

Recommendations	Importance	Cost	Time	Commitment	Feasibility	Feasibility   Total Points
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## Instructions for completing the module

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School counselor School psychologist

School social worker

Parent(s)

Community-based

social services provider

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
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- 4. As a team, discuss each question and its scoring descriptions, seek out any information needed to accurately answer each question, arrive at a consensus on a score for each question, and record scores on the Score Card. (Answer each question as accurately as possible. The Index is your self-assessment tool for identifying strengths and weaknesses and for planning improvements.)
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- 5. Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
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6.1	Promote physical activity	3	2	1	0
6.2	Promote healthy eating	3	2	1	0
6.3	Collaborate with staff	3	2	1	0
6.4	Identify and refer students with problems	3	2	1	0
Total the number of circled responses in each column  Multiply by the point value  Subtotals		x 3	x 2	x1 +	x 0
Total points earned					<u> </u>
Total points possible			1	2	
Percentage (total points earned/12) x 100				%	



## Questionnaire

## 6.1 Promote physical activity

Do the school counseling, psychological, or social services staff actively promote physical activity to students and their families through the following?

- *✓* distribution of educational materials
- ✓ individual advice
- **✓** small group discussions
- presentations
- 3 = Yes, through three or four of the methods listed above.
- 2 = Through one or two of the methods.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- 0 = No, or the school does not have any counseling, psychological, and social services staff.

## 6.2 Promote healthy eating

Do the school counseling, psychological, or social services staff actively promote healthy eating to students and their families through the following?

- distribution of educational materials
- individual advice
- **✓** small gróup discussions
- presentations
- 3 = Yes, through three or four of the methods listed above.
- 2 = Through one or two of the methods.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- 0 = No.
  - or the school does not have any counseling, psychological, and social services staff.



#### 6.3 Collaborate with staff

Do the counseling, psychological, or social services staff collaborate with other school staff to promote physical activity and healthy eating?

Examples of ways to "collaborate" include:

- policy development,
- curriculum development,
- unit/lesson planning,
- ✓ special events and projects, and
- in-service training on the health and academic benefits of physical activity and good nutrition.

Examples of "other school staff" include:

- school nurse or other health care provider,
- health education teachers,
- physical education teachers,
- classroom teachers, and
- food service staff.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Collaborates to promote physical activity or healthy eating, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to collaborate.
- 0 = No, or the school does not have any counseling, psychological, or social services staff.

## 6.4 Identify and refer students with problems

Do the school counseling, psychological, or social services staff identify students with physical activity- and nutrition-related problems? Are those identified referred to the appropriate school- or community-based services?

Examples of "physical activity- and nutrition-related problems" include:

- obesity,
- anemia,
- asthma,
- eating disorders, and
- steroid use.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Collaborates to identify students, **but** does not refer them to appropriate services **or** refers them only to school-based services.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do start identifying and referring students.
- 0 = No

or the school does not have any counseling, psychological, or social services staff.



## Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

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1.	Based on the scores earned for each question, what are the strengths and weaknesses of your
	school's counseling, psychological, and social services?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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Rate each of the recommendations identified in question 2 on the following five aspects: importance, cost, time, commitment, and feasibility. Rate each aspect on a scale of 1 to 5 using the chart below. 3

	Flow important is the recommendation?
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	1 = Not very important
	How expensive would it be to plan and implement the recommendation?
Cost	5 = Not very expensive
	3 = Moderately expensive
	1 = Very expensive
	How much time and effort would be needed to implement the recommendation?
Time	5 = Modest time and effort
<b>)</b>	3 = Somewhat high time and effort
	1 = Very high time and effort
	How enthusiastic would the school community be about implementing the recommendation?
Commitment	5 = Very enthusiastic
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	How attainable is the recommendation?
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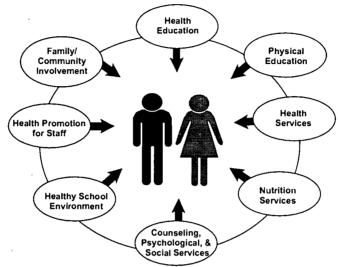
	Feasibility   Total Points				
	Feasibility				
	Commitment				
	Time				
	Cost				
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## **Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff**

## Instructions for Module Coordinator

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## Instructions for completing the module

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module. Choose team members who you think are appropriate to represent your school and
community.

Physical education teacher School nurse Classroom teacher(s)

Community health agency representative(s) (e.g., American Cancer Society, public health department)

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
- 3. Photocopy the Score Card and Planning Questions before writing on them, as they are master copies designed for repeated use.
- 4. As a team, discuss each question and its scoring descriptions, seek out any information needed to accurately answer each question, arrive at a consensus on a score for each question, and record scores on the Score Card. (Answer each question as accurately as possible. The Index is your self-assessment tool for identifying strengths and weaknesses and for planning improvements.)

Note: Testing of the School Health Index has shown that it takes approximately 1 hour to complete each of modules 1-4, and approximately 30 minutes to complete each of modules 5-8. This may not include time that it takes to seek out needed information.

- 5. Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
- 6. As a team, based on the scores awarded, answer the three Planning Questions located at the end of the module. (The answers to these questions will serve as the basis for a meeting of all who completed Index modules to discuss overall results and plan improvements. Be prepared to discuss your findings and recommendations.)

Good luck in your efforts to improve the health of young people!



## **Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff**

## Score Card (photocopy before using)

Instructions: To complete this Score Card, first carefully read and discuss the Questionnaire on the following pages which contains specific questions and scoring descriptions. After all questions have been scored, respond to the Planning Questions at the end of the module.

		Fully In Place	Partially In Place	Under Development	No
7.1	Health screening for staff	3	2	1	0
7.2	Physical activity/fitness programs for staff	3	2	1	0
7.3	Nutrition education/weight management programs for staff	3	2	1	. 0
7.4	Promote and encourage staff participation	3	2	1	0
7.5	Budget for staff health promotion	3	2	1	0
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Tota	l points earned				
Total points possible			1	5	
Perc	entage (total points earned/15) x 100			%	



## **Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff**

## Questionnaire

## 7.1 Health screening for staff

Does the school or district offer or provide easy access to a free or reasonably priced health screening for staff at least once a year?

"Provide access to" means that the school or district has a special arrangement for staff to receive health screening either on- or off-site through a community program.

Examples of items that are part of a "health screening" include:

- height and weight,
- blood pressure,
- cholesterol screening, and
- diabetes/blood sugar screening.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Offers or provides access to a health screening, but it is not reasonably priced or not easily accessible.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

## 7.2 Physical activity/fitness programs for staff

Does the school or district offer or provide easy access to free or reasonably priced physical activity/fitness programs for staff?

"Provide access to" means that the school or district has a special arrangement for staff to take classes at a community facility.

Examples of such "programs" include:

- classes,
- workshops,
- facilities, and
- special events.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Offers or provides access to physical activity/fitness programs, but they are not reasonably priced or not easily accessible.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



## 7.3 Nutrition education/weight management programs for staff

Does the school or district offer or provide easy access to free or reasonably priced nutrition education/weight management programs for staff members?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Offers or provides access to nutrition education/weight management programs, **but** they are not reasonably priced **or** not easily accessible.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to do so.
- 0 = No.

## 7.4 Promote and encourage staff participation

Does the school or district promote and encourage staff participation in its physical activity/fitness and nutrition education/weight management programs?

Examples of ways to "promote and encourage staff participation" include:

- information at new staff orientation,
- information on programs provided with paychecks,
- flyers posted on school walls,
- letters mailed directly to staff,
- announcements at staff meetings,
- staff newsletter articles,
- incentive/reward programs,
- public recognition, and
- health insurance discounts.
- 3 = Yes, through two or more ways listed above.
- 2 = Through **one** of the ways.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start doing so.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

## 7.5 Budget for staff health promotion

Is there a school or district budget for staff health promotion that includes a salary for a coordinator?

"Coordinator" means a full- or part-time employee who is responsible for planning, designing, implementing, and evaluating staff health promotion activities.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = There is a budget, **but** it does not include a salary for a full- or part-time coordinator (although the school or district may have a volunteer coordinator).
- 1 = No, but there are plans to create a budget.
- 0 = No.



### Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

These Planning Questions will help your school use its Index results to identify and prioritize changes needed to improve your physical activity and nutrition programs. Answers should be reviewed when completing the Planning for Improvement section of the Index.

1.	Based on the scores earned for each question, what are the strengths and weaknesses of you
	school's health promotion for staff?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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Rate each of the recommendations identified in question 2 on the following five aspects: importance, cost, time, commitment, and feasibility. Rate each aspect on a scale of 1 to 5 using the chart below. 3

	How important is the recommendation?
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	1 = Very expensive
	How much time and effort would be needed to implement the recommendation?
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)	3 = Somewhat high time and effort
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	How enthusiastic would the school community be about implementing the recommendation?
Commitment	5 = Very enthusiastic
	3 = Somewhat enthusiastic
	1 = Not enthusiastic
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	1 = Very difficult to attain

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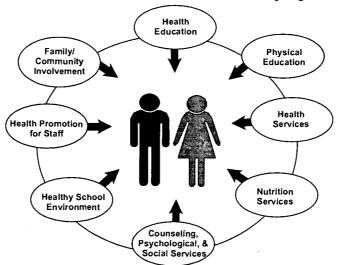


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### **Module 8: Family and Community Involvement**

### Instructions for Module Coordinator

Physical activity and eating behaviors are influenced by the entire school environment, not just the cafeteria and gymnasium. That's why the School Health Index has eight different modules, corresponding to the eight components of a coordinated school health program shown below.



### Instructions for completing the module

1. Organize a team to complete the module. Below are some suggested team members for this module. Choose team members who you think are appropriate to represent your school and community.

Parent(s) Classroom teacher(s) School nurse

Community health agency representative(s) (e.g., American Cancer Society, public health department)

- 2. Provide each team member with a copy of the Questionnaire.
- 3. Photocopy the Score Card and Planning Questions before writing on them, as they are master copies designed for repeated use.
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Note: Testing of the School Health Index has shown that it takes approximately 1 hour to complete each of modules 1-4, and approximately 30 minutes to complete each of modules 5-8. This may not include time that it takes to seek out needed information.

- 5. Total the scores at the bottom of the Score Card.
- 6. As a team, based on the scores awarded, answer the three Planning Questions located at the end of the module. (The answers to these questions will serve as the basis for a meeting of all who completed Index modules to discuss overall results and plan improvements. Be prepared to discuss your findings and recommendations.)

Good luck in your efforts to improve the health of young people!



### **Module 8: Family and Community Involvement**

### Score Card (photocopy before using)

**Instructions:** To complete this Score Card, first carefully read and discuss the Questionnaire on the following pages which contains specific questions and scoring descriptions. After all questions have been scored, respond to the Planning Questions at the end of the module.

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### **Module 8: Family and Community Involvement**

### Questionnaire

### 8.1 Educate families about physical activity and healthy eating

Does the school provide families with many opportunities to learn about physical activity and healthy eating through educational materials sent home and involvement in school-sponsored activities?

Examples of "educational materials" include:

- brochures,
- newsletter articles.
- introduction to curricula, and
- homework assignments that require family participation.

Examples of "school-sponsored activities" include:

- ✓ parent/teacher meetings,
- health fairs,
- food tastings,
- international meals,
- field day,
- walkathons, and
- fun runs.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Provides **few** opportunities, **or** provides opportunities to learn about physical activity **or** healthy eating, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start providing opportunities.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 8.2 Student and family input into programs

Does the school formally obtain and review, at least once a year, input from students and their families about their satisfaction with the physical activity and nutrition programs?

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = From students **or** their families, but not both, **or** less often than once a year.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start obtaining input.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



### 8.3 Students and parents involved in meal planning

Are students and parents involved in planning school meals?

Examples of being "involved" include:

- providing menu and recipe suggestions,
- identifying food preferences, and
- participating in taste-testing activities.
- 3 = Yes
- 2 = Students or parents are involved, but not both.
- 1 = Neither are involved, but there are plans to involve one or both.
- 0 =**Neither** are involved.

### 8.4 Parents and community involved in implementing programs

Do parents and other community members help plan and implement school physical activity and nutrition programs?

Examples of ways to "help plan and implement" include:

- volunteering to help in the classroom, cafeteria, or with special events,
- serving on a curriculum committee, and
- designing or conducting a needs assessment or program evaluation.
- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = They help plan and implement physical activity or nutrition programs, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans for future involvement.
- 0 = No.



### 8.5 School staff promote community-based programs and resources

Do school staff inform students and their families of community-based physical activity and nutrition programs and resources?

Examples of "community-based physical activity programs" include youth sports and recreation and fitness programs.

Examples of "community-based nutrition programs" include WIC, Food Stamps, local food pantries, and Cooperative Extension.

Examples of "community-based resources" include public health departments, American Cancer Society, and American Heart Association.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = Staff inform about community-based physical activity or nutrition programs, but not both.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start providing information.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .

### 8.6 Community access to school facilities outside of school hours

Do community members have access to school physical activity facilities outside of school hours to participate in or conduct programs?

"Outside of school hours" means after school, evenings, weekends, and school vacations.

- 3 = Yes.
- 2 = The access is quite limited,or there is substantial cost involved.
- 1 = No, but there are plans to start allowing access to community members.
- $0 = \mathbf{No}$ .



### Module 8: Family and Community Involvement Planning Questions (photocopy before using)

These Planning Questions will help your school use its Index results to identify and prioritize changes needed to improve your physical activity and nutrition programs. Answers should be reviewed when completing the Planning for Improvement section of the Index.

1.	Based on the scores earned for each question, what are the strengths and weaknesses of your
	school's family and community involvement?

2. To improve each of the weaknesses identified in question 1, identify recommendations for action.



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Rate each of the recommendations identified in question 2 on the following five aspects: importance, cost, time, commitment, and feasibility. Rate each aspect on a scale of 1 to 5 using the chart below. Э.

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Recommendations	Importance	Cost	Time	Commitment	Feasibility	Feasibility Total Points
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### **Planning for Improvement**

The goal is simple: to develop strong, healthy children who come to school ready and able to learn. Among the hundreds of individual actions you can take to meet this goal, you've already begun the most important: careful planning as a result of an appraisal of strengths and weaknesses. No matter how your school scores on the School Health Index, you now have the information you need to steadily improve and move towards your goal.

### Taking Action, One Step at a Time

Now that all eight modules of the School Health Index have been completed, it is time to reflect on your school's strengths and identify and discuss areas for improvement. This section, Planning for Improvement, contains three types of forms that will assist you in making the best use of the information collected in each module.

Form One — Overall Score Card

Form Two — Recommendation Assessment Worksheet

Form Three — Action Plan Worksheet

Five action steps described in this section can help you to plan for improvement and implement recommended changes.

Step One — Complete the Overall Score Card

Step Two — Complete the Recommendation Assessment Worksheet

Step Three — Complete the Action Plan Worksheet

Step Four — Implement recommendations

Step Five — Reassess annually and strive for continuous improvement

STEP ONE. Use the completed module Score Cards to fill in the *Overall Score Card*. When completed, the Overall Score Card will help you to determine which of the eight module areas are in greatest need of improvement. Part A will show the total percentage achieved for each module, and Part B will show the spread of scores (3, 2, 1, and 0 points) for each module.

STEP TWO. Schedule a meeting at which each module team will present their list of recommendations. Discuss the recommendations as a group and list on the *Recommendation Assessment Worksheet* those recommendations that are worthy of further consideration. The worksheet will help you prioritize the recommendations by having you consider five critical factors:

- Importance: Rate the importance of the recommendation (1= Not very important; 3 = Somewhat important; 5= Very important). Consider how many students will be positively affected by the recommendation, and how much impact the recommendation will have on their health behavior.
- Cost: Estimate the costs of the personnel time, supplies, materials, equipment, travel, and
  anything else needed to implement the recommendation (1=Very expensive; 3=Moderately
  expensive; 5=Not very expensive).



- Time: Rate the amount of time and effort associated with implementing the recommendation (1=Very high time and effort; 3 = Somewhat high time and effort; 5 = Modest time and effort). How long will it take and how much personnel effort is required? For complex recommendations, planning could take as long as a year, with implementation taking place in the following school year.
- **Commitment**: Rate how enthusiastic key members of the school community would be about making the change (1=Not enthusiastic; 3 = Somewhat enthusiastic; 5 = Very enthusiastic). Who is needed to implement the recommendation and to what extent do they have the motivation to see the project through?
- Feasibility: Rate how likely it is that you will actually be able to successfully implement the recommendation (1=Very difficult to attain; 3 = Somewhat difficult to attain; 5= Fairly easy to attain). Consider all potential barriers to implementation, as well as all factors that will facilitate implementation.

After rating each recommendation on these factors, write the sum of the ratings in the "Total" column. In the last column of the worksheet, indicate the rank order you have decided for implementing the recommendations. Consider the "Total" column when ranking the recommendations, but don't feel that you are obliged to follow the numerical totals. Some very important actions may be too expensive, labor intensive or too complex to rank number one. Others may be less important, but require fewer resources or staff to implement. Use the collective judgment and knowledge of your team members. Together, they know the school well and will arrive at the best mix of achievable, important recommendations.

STEP THREE. Once you have prioritized the recommendations, use the *Action Plan Worksheet* to further develop the groups' ideas. For each recommendation, briefly describe the activities, materials and personnel needed, time frame, and method of evaluation.

Activities: List the activities required to meet the recommendation. Examples of possible activities may include training teachers and staff, selecting curriculum, writing a new policy and submitting it to the school board, and raising funds.

Materials, resources, and personnel: Who would be responsible for planning and implementing the recommendation? List the individuals who will do the work and the resources and tools they need to get the job done.

**Time frame**: What's the estimated planning time? When will implementation begin? How long will it take to finish? You may want to set a month-by-month planning timetable.

Evaluation: How will you measure success (or disappointment)? What are the milestones for accomplishment? Consider evaluating three different factors: a) Has planning for the implementation of the recommendation been completed? b) Are the month-by-month stages of implementation being met? c) Is the recommendation having the intended effect? You may need to consult an evaluation expert at the school district office, state education agency or local university to help you measure whether the recommendation is having the intended effect.



Decide at the meeting who will prepare a concise summary report of your findings and recommendations. Present the report to the school administration (or site decision-making team) for approval and inclusion in the school improvement plan.

STEP FOUR. Once you get your recommendations approved for implementation by the school or school district administration, implement the recommendations and monitor progress. Some actions can be handled quickly and easily by a single person. Others may require information gathering, fund-raising, or a group effort. A full discussion of project management is beyond the scope of this guide, but some general principles may be useful to review:

- Form implementation workgroups so as not to overwhelm any single person.
- Most positive changes will take some time to get put in place, but delayed gratification can be frustrating for many volunteers. Having a mix of long- and short-term goals ensures enough accomplishment to keep the team motivated while still tackling the bigger issues.
- When planning how to implement a complex recommendation (e.g., develop and implement a K-5th grade sequential health education curriculum that addresses nutrition and physical activity), break it into a set of smaller tasks (e.g., form curriculum planning committee, write goals and objectives, review existing curricula, write curriculum, plan in-service training).
- Create a timeline of activities and set implementation milestones, either monthly or quarterly.
- Establish a mechanism for reporting progress, so that there is some level of accountability. Ongoing monitoring of activities and strategies is essential for smooth and successful implementation. Special achievements and problems should be recognized and discussed.
- Gain commitment from all key school constituencies.
- If you need money and it's not available internally, don't be shy about visiting your local businesses. This is especially true for small grants under \$1,000. Write a short, two-page proposal making use of the national data presented at the beginning of the School Health Index
- Ask for help when you need it. See the School Health Index Resource section for information on national organizations that might be of assistance. Look for help from the school district, state department of education, and local universities.
- Recognize your volunteers. Write letters of appreciation and publicize their good work, so the entire community will know about their contributions.

STEP FIVE. Establish an annual School Health Index assessment. An annual assessment will ensure that children's health remains high on the school agenda. Take the time to measure and recognize the progress and accomplishments of the previous school year. Report annually to the principal, superintendent, and school board on progress made during the past year and plans for continuous improvement in the upcoming year.



### School Health Index Overall Score Card

Instructions: Use information from the individual Module Score Cards to complete parts A and B below.

Part A

For each module, place an X in the box for the percentage achieved

Low		Medium		High
0-50%	21-40%	41-60%	<b>61-80</b> %	81-100%

### Part B

For each module, write the number of items that received 0, 1, 2, and 3 points

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Module 1: School Policies and Environment

Module 2: Health Education

Module 3: Physical Education

Module 4: Nutrition Services

Module 5: School Health Services

Module 6: School Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services

Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff

Module 8: Family and Community Involvement

Module 6: School Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services

Module 5: School Health Services

Module 3: Physical Education Module 4: Nutrition Services

Module 2: Health Education

Module 1: School Policies and Environment

Module 8: Family and Community Involvement

Module 7: Health Promotion for Staff

## School Health Index

# Recommendation Assessment Worksheet

Instructions: Refer to Planning Question #3 in each of the individual modules to decide on the top six recommendations for modules 1-4 and top three recommendations for modules 5-8. Your school team may want to transfer the ratings already given by the module teams in Planning Question #3, or you may want to discuss and re-rate each recommendation as a school team. Either way, the school eam should use the ratings to decide on a priority ranking for each of the recommendations.

### RATING INFORMATION

How important is the recommendation?  5 = Very important  3 = Somewhat important  1 = Not very important	How expensive would it be to plan and implement the recommendation?  5 = Not very expensive  3 = Moderately expensive  1 = Very expensive	How much time and effort would be needed to implement the recommendation?  5 = Modest time and effort  3 = Somewhat high time and effort  1 = Very high time and effort	How enthusiastic would the school community be about implementing the recommendation?  5 = Very enthusiastic  3 = Somewhat enthusiastic  1 = Not enthusiastic	How attainable is the recommendation?  5 = Fairly easy to attain  3 = Somewhat difficult to attain  1 = Very difficult to attain
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# The School Health Index Action Plan Worksheet

Recommendations	Describe the recommendations from the Recommendation Assessment Worksheet.
Activities	List the activities required to meet the recommendation.
Materials, resources, and personnel	List the individuals who will do the work, and the resources and tools they will need to get the job done.
Time frame	When will implementation begin? How long will it take to finish?
Evaluation	How will you measure success (or disappointment)?

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### Resources for School Physical Activity and Nutrition Programs

The purpose of this section is to provide you with information about key resources to assist you in strengthening your school's physical activity and nutrition programs.

Ordering information, including address, phone, fax, e-mail address, web site, and price, was reliable as of March 1999. The prices do not include shipping and handling.

### Resources for All Index Modules

### **CDC School Health Guidelines**

Guidelines for School and Community Programs to Promote Lifelong Physical Activity Among Young People, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1997, no cost

Available from: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; phone: (770)488-3168; fax: (770)488-3111; e-mail: ccdinfo@cdc.gov; web site: http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/physact.htm

Guidelines for School Health Programs to Promote Lifelong Healthy Eating, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1996, no cost

Available from: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; phone: (770)488-3168; fax: (770)488-3111; e-mail: ccdinfo@cdc.gov; web site: http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/nutguide.htm

### **Authoritative Recommendations and Reviews**

Healthy People 2010: National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2000, no cost to download from web site

Available from: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion; web site: http://web.health.gov/healthypeople

### Physical Activity

Physical Activity and Public Health: A Report of the Surgeon General, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1996, \$19 (full report), no cost for executive summary or to download from web site Full report available from: Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954; fax: (202)512-2250

Executive summary available from: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; phone: (800)232-4674; web site: http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/sgr/sgr.htm

Physical Activity for Children: A Statement of Guidelines, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$13

Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Physical Activity Guidelines for Adolescents: Consensus Statement, Sallis JF & Patrick K, Pediatric Exercise Science, 6(4):302-314, 1994

### Nutrition

Dietary Guidelines for Americans, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1995, no cost for one copy or to download from web site

Available from: Consumer Information Center, Department 378-C, Pueblo, CO 81009; phone: (719)948-4000; web site: http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/dga

Food Guide Pyramid, Û.S. Department of Agriculture, 1992, no cost for one copy or to download from web site Available from: Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, PO Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954; phone: (202)512-2250, web site: http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/Fpyr/pyramid.html

### **Guides to Coordinated School Health Programs**

Guidelines for Comprehensive School Health Programs, American School Health Association, 1995, \$8.25 Available from: American School Health Association; phone: (330)678-1601; fax: (330)678-4526; web site: http://www.ashaweb.org/pubs/

Health is Academic: A Guide to Coordinated School Health Programs, Marx E & Wooley SF (Eds.) with Northrop D, 1998, \$24.95

Available from: Teachers College Press, phone: (800)575-6566; fax: (802)864-7626; e-mail: tcp.orders@aidcvt.com; web site: http://tc-press.tc.columbia.edu/order2.html

Healthy Students 2000: An Agenda for Continuous Improvement in America's Schools, Allensworth D, Symonds C & Olds S, 1994, \$24.95

Available from: American School Health Association; (330)678-1601; fax: (330)678-4526; web site: http://www.ashaweb.org/pubs



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Schools and Health, Our Nation's Investment, Institute of Medicine, 1997, \$59.95, no cost to download summary from web site

Available from: National Academy Press; phone: (800)624-6242; web site: http://www.nap.edu/search/ Step by Step to Comprehensive School Health: The Program Planning Guide, Kane WM, 1993, \$24.95

Available from: ETR Associates; phone: (800)321-4407; fax: (800)435-8433; web site: http://www.etr.org Step by Step to Health Promoting Schools, Fetro J, 1998, \$24.95

Available from: ETR Associates; phone: (800)321-4407; fax: (800)435-8433; web site: http://www.etr.org

### **Professional Journals**

### Health Education

Journal of Health Education

Published by: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)213-0789

Journal of School Health

Published by: American School Health Association; phone: (330)678-1601

### Physical Activity/Physical Education

Journal of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance

Published by: American Association for Active Lifestyles and Fitness, American Association for Leisure and Recreation, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, and National Dance Association; phone: (800)213-7193

Journal of Teaching in Physical Education

Published by: Human Kinetics Publishers, Inc.; phone: (800)747-4457

Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport

Published by: American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; phone: (800)213-7193

Strategies: A Journal for Physical and Sport Educators

Published by: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)213-7193

Teaching Elementary Physical Education

Published by: Human Kinetics Publishers, Inc.; phone: (800)747-4457

### Nutrition

Journal of the American Dietetic Association

Published by: American Dietetic Association; phone: (800)366-1655

Journal of Nutrition Education

Published by: Society for Nutrition Education; phone: (800)235-6690

School Foodservice and Nutrition

Published by: American School Food Service Association; phone: (800)877-8822

School Food Service Research Review

Published by: American School Food Service Association; phone: (800)877-8822



### Resources for Module 1: School Policies and Environment

### Materials

Fit, Healthy, and Ready to Learn: An Education Policy Guide on Physical Activity, Healthy Eating, and Tobacco Use Prevention, National Association of State Boards of Education, 1999, \$20

Available from: National Association of State Boards of Education, 277 S. Washington Street, Suite 100,

Alexandria, VA 22134; phone: (800)220-5183

A Healthy School Environment, Henderson A & Rowe DE, chapter in Health is Academic: A Guide to Coordinated School Health Programs, Marx E & Wooley SF (Eds.) with Northrop D, 1998, \$24.95
Available from: Teachers College Press; phone: (800)575-6566; fax: (802)864-7626; e-mail: tcp.orders@aidcvt.com; web site: http://tc-press.tc.columbia.edu/order2.html

Healthy Schools Healthy Futures: The Case for Improving School Environments, Henderson A, 1993, \$19.95 Available from: ETR Associates; phone: (800)321-4407; fax: (800)-435-8433; web site: http://www.etr.org Improving School Health: A Guide to School Health Councils, American Cancer Society (ACS), 1999, price determined by local ACS affiliates

Available from: your local ACS affiliate; look in your local phone book or call (800) ACS-2345 Physical Activity, Nutrition, and Tobacco Use Prevention School Resource Database, National School Boards

Association, no cost for use

Available from: National School Boards Association; phone: (703)838-6169; fax: (703)548-5516; e-mail: schoolhealth@nsba.org; web site: http://www.nsba.org/schoolhealth/pant.htm

School Health: Helping Children Learn, National School Boards Association, 1991, \$15

Available from: National School Boards Association; phone: (800)706-6722; fax: (703)548-5516

### Physical Activity/Physical Education

Guidelines for the Development of Fitness, Physical Activity, Recreation, and Sport Facilities, Sawyer TH, LaRue R, Seidler T & Goldfine, B, 1999, \$27

Available from: American Association for Active Lifestyles and Fitness; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Physical Education Program Guidelines and Appraisal Checklist for Elementary School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1994, \$8

Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Physical Education Program Improvement and Self Study Guide for Middle School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$8

Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Physical Education Program Improvement and Self Study Guide for High School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$8

Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Principles of Safety in Physical Education and Sport (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.), Dougherty N (Ed.), 1994, \$35 Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

The Case for Elementary School Recess, American Association for Child's Right to Play, no cost to download from web site

Available from: American Association for the Child's Right to Play; web site: http://www.ipausa.org

### Nutrition

Accommodating Children with Special Dietary Needs in the School Nutrition Program: Guidance for School Food Service Staff, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition, 1995, no cost

Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition; 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010, Alexandria, VA 22302; phone: (703)305-1624; fax: (703)305-2879; e-mail: teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov

Creating Policy for Nutrition Integrity in Schools, American School Food Service Association, 1995, \$7.50 Available from: American School Food Service Association Emporium; phone: (800)728-0728

Healthy Eating Helps You Make the Grade!, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition, 1999, no cost Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition; 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010, Alexandria, VA 22302; phone: (703)305-1624; fax: (703)305-2879; e-mail: teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov

How to Start a Nutrition Advisory Council in Your School, American School Food Service Association, 1998 (updated annually), no cost

Available from: American School Food Service Association; phone: (800)877-8822, ext. 140; fax: (703)739-3915



Nutrition: Making a Difference in Schools (videotape and participant notebook), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1996, \$28

Available from: Public Health Foundation; phone: (877)252-1200; fax: (301)843-0159

School-Based Nutrition Programs and Services: A Position of the ADA, SNE, and ASFSA, American Dietetic Association, Society for Nutrition Education & American School Food Service Association, 1995 Available in: Journal of the American Dietetic Association, 95(3):367-369, 1995; Journal of Nutrition Education, 27(2):58-61, 1995; School Foodservice and Nutrition, 49(5):45-46, 1995

Strategies for Success: A Resource Manual for SHAPE California Child Nutrition Programs, California Department of Education/Nutrition Education and Training Program, 1995, \$15

Available from: California Department of Education; phone: (800)995-40991; fax: (916)323-0823

### **Organizations**

American Association for the Child's Right to Play c/o Dr. Rhonda Clements, President 240 Hofstra University Hempstead, NY 11550-1022 (516)463-5176 http://www.ipausa.org

American Association of School Administrators (AASA) 1801 N. Moore Street Arlington, VA 22209 (703)528-0700 (703)841-1543 (fax) http://www.aasa.org

American Cancer Society (ACS) National Office 1599 Clifton Road, NE Atlanta, GA 30329 (800)227-2345 (Cancer Information Center) http://www.cancer.org

American School Food Service Association (ASFSA) 1600 Duke St., 7th Floor Alexandria, VA 22314 (800)877-8822 (703)739-3915 (fax) asfsa@asfsa.org http://www.asfsa.org

American School Health Association (ASHA) 7263 State Route 43
PO Box 708
Kent, OH 44240
(330)678-1601
(330)678-4526 (fax)
http://www.ashaweb.org

Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) One Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20001-1431 (202)408-5505 (202)408-8072 (fax) http://www.ccsso.org Food and Nutrition Information Center (FNIC) Agricultural Research Service, USDA National Agricultural Library, Room 304 10301 Baltimore Avenue Beltsville, MD 20705-2351 (301)504-5719 (301)504-6409 (fax) TTY: (301)504-6856 e-mail: fnic@nal.usda.gov http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/

National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) 1012 Cameron Street Alexandria, VA 22314 (703)684-4000 (703)836-2313 (fax) boards@nasbe.org http://www.nasbe.org

National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) 1900 Association Drive Reston, VA 20191-1599 (800)213-7193, ext.410 (703)476-8316 (fax) naspe@aahperd.org http://www.aahperd.org/naspe/naspe.html

National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI) The University of Mississippi PO Drawer 188 University, MS 38677-0188 (800)321-3054 (800)321-3061 (fax) nfsmi@sunsetbackbone.olemiss.edu http://www.olemiss.edu/depts/nfsmi

The National PTA 330 North Wabash Ave., Suite 2100 Chicago, IL 60611-3690 (312)670-6782 (312)670-6783 (fax) info@pta.org http://www.pta.org



National School Boards Association (NSBA) 1680 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314-3493 (703)838-6722 (703)683-7590 (fax) info@nsba.org http://www.nsba.org

President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports (PCPFS) 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 738H Washington, DC 20201-0004 (202)690-9000 (202)690-5211 (fax)

Society for Nutrition Education (SNE) 7101 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 901 Bethesda, MD 20814 (800)235-6690 or (301)656-4938 (301)656-4958 (fax) info@sne.org http://www.sne.org

U.S. Department of Agriculture/Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion 1120 20<sup>th</sup> Street NW Suite 200, North Lobby Washington, DC 20036 (202)418-2312 (202)208-2322 (fax) john.webster@usda.gov http://www.usda.gov/cnpp

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Alexandria, VA 22302
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(703)305-2879 (fax)
teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov
http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/



### Resources for Module 2: Health Education

### **Materials**

Choosing the Tools: A Review of Selected K-12 Health Education Curriculum, Education Development Center, 1995, \$19.95

Available from: Education Development Center; phone: (800)793-5076; fax: (412)741-0609; e-mail: edcorder@abdintl.com

A Competency-Based Framework for Professional Development of Certified Health Education Specialists, National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, 1996, \$35

Available from: National Commission for Health Education Credentialing; phone: (888)624-3248; fax:

(800) 813-0727; e-mail: ndecjms@fast.net; web site: http://www.nchec.org

Comprehensive School Health Education, Lohrmann DK & Wooley SF, chapter in Health is Academic: A Guide to Coordinated School Health Programs, Marx E & Wooley SF (Eds.) with Northrop D, 1998, \$24.95
Available from: Teachers College Press; phone: (800)575-6566; fax: (802)864-7626; e-mail: tcp.orders@aidcvt.com; web site: http://tc-press.tc.columbia.edu/order2.html

Criteria for Comprehensive Health Education Curricula, English J & Sancho A, 1990, \$2.75

Available from: American School Health Association; phone: (330)678-1601; fax: (330)678-4526; web site: http://www.ashaweb.org/pubs/

Cultural Awareness and Sensitivity: Guidelines for Health Educators, American Association for Health Education, 1994, \$12.75

Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553 Cultural Awareness and Sensitivity: Guidelines for Health Educators Question Booklet, American Association for Health Education, \$4

Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553 Cultural Awareness and Sensitivity: Resources for Health Educators, American Association for Health Education, 1994, \$9.50

Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553 Educating for Health: A Guide to Implementing a Comprehensive Approach to School Health Education, Marx E & Northrop D, 1995, \$24.95

Available from: Education Development Center; phone: (800)793-5076; fax: (412)741-0609; e-mail: edcorder@abdintl.com

Health Education: Assessment Framework, Council of Chief State School Officers-State Collaborative on Assessment and Student Standards (SCASS) Health Education Project, 1998, \$35 for SCASS members, \$50 for non-members

Available from: ToucanEd Publications; phone: (831)464-0508; fax: (831)462-1129; web site: http://www.toucaned.com

Health Education: A Guide to Portfolios, Council of Chief State School Officers-State Collaborative on Assessment and Student Standards (SCASS) Health Education Project, 1999, \$50 for SCASS members, \$90 for non-members

Available from: ToucanEd Publications; phone: (831)464-0508; fax: (831)462-1129; web site: http://www.toucaned.com

Manual on Responsibilities and Competencies of Teachers of Young Adolescents for Promoting Healthy Development, American Association for Health Education, 1998, \$14

Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553 National Health Education Standards: Achieving Health Literacy, American Association for Health Education, American Cancer Society, American School Health Association, 1995, \$3 (AAHE), \$8 (ASHA) Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553; American School Health Association; phone: (330)678-1601; fax: (330)678-4526; web site: http://www.ashaweb.org/pubs/

Personal and Social Skills: Understanding and Integrating Competencies Across Health Content, Fetro JV, 1992, \$39.95

Available from: ETR Associates; phone: (800)321-4407; fax: (800)435-8433; web site: http://www.etr.org Ready for Teaching Health: Preparing the Student Teacher for School Health, Zaccone-Tzannetakis PR, 1999, \$14.50

Available from: American Association for Health Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553 Step by Step to Peer Health Education Programs: A Planning Guide, Goldsmith M & Reynolds ST, 1996, \$24.95. Available from: ETR Associates; phone: (800)321-4407; fax: (800)435-8433; web site: http://www.etr.org Team Nutrition School Activity Planner: A How-To Guide for Team Nutrition Schools and Supporters, U.S.

Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition, 1997, no cost

Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition; 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010, Alexandria, VA 22302; phone: (703)305-1624; fax: (703)305-2879; e-mail: teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov



Using the Food Guide Pyramid: A Resource for Nutrition Educators, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion, 1996, no cost

Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion; web site: http://www.usda.gov/cnpp

### Journal Articles

Inservice Preparation in Nutrition Education for Professionals and Paraprofessionals, Contento IR, Journal of Nutrition Education, 27(6):347-354, 1995

New Developments in Nutrition Education Using Computer Technology, Kolasa KM & Miller MG, Journal of Nutrition Education, 28(1):7-14, 1996

Nutrition Education for School-Aged Children, Contento IR, Journal of Nutrition Education, 27(6):298-311, 1995

### **Organizations**

American Association for Health Education (AAHE) 1900 Association Drive Reston, VA 20191-1599 (800)213-7193, ext.437 (703)476-6638 (fax) aahe@aahperd.org

http://www.aahperd.org/aahe/aahe.html

American Cancer Society (ACS) National Office 1599 Clifton Road, NE Atlanta, GA 30329 (800)227-2345 http://www.cancer.org

American Heart Association (AHA) National Office

7272 Greenville Avenue Dallas, TX 75231-4596 (800)242-8721

http://www.americanheart.org

American School Health Association (ASHA)

7263 State Route 43 PO Box 708 Kent, OH 44240 (330)678-1601 (330)678-4526 (fax)

http://www.ashaweb.org

National 5 A Day Program National Cancer Institute 6130 Executive Boulevard EPN 232 Bethesda, MD 20892-7332 (301)496-8520 (301)496-6637 (fax)

http://dccps.nci.nih.gov/5aday

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

NHBLI Information Center

PO Box 30105

Bethesda, MD 20824-0105

(301)251-1222 (301)251-1223 (fax) nhlbiic@dgsys.com

http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov

Society for Nutrition Education (SNE) 7101 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 901

Bethesda, MD 20814 (800)235-6690 (301)656-4958 (fax) info@sne.org

http://www.sne.org

Society of State Directors of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (SSDHPER)

1900 Association Drive Reston, VA 20191-1599 (800)213-7193, ext. 402 (703)476-9527 (fax)

http://www.thesociety.org

U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition

3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010

Alexandria, VA 22302 (703)305-1624

(703)305-2879 (fax)

teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/



### Resources for Module 3: Physical Education

### Materials

The first 12 materials listed below are available from the National Association for Sport and Physical Education; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Appropriate Practices for High School Physical Education, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$5

Appropriate Practices for Middle School Physical Education, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1995, \$5

Concepts of Physical Education: What Every Student Needs to Know, Mohnsen B (Ed.), 1998, \$59.95 Developmentally Appropriate Physical Education Practices for Children, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1992, \$5

Including Students with Disabilities in Regular Physical Education, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, American Association for Active Lifestyles and Fitness, 1995, \$5

Moving into the Future: National Standards for Physical Education, A Guide to Content and Assessment, National

National Standards for Beginning Physical Education Teachers, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1995, \$15

Physical Education Program Guidelines and Appraisal Checklist for Elementary School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education 1994, \$8

Physical Education Program Improvement and Self Study Guide for High School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$8

Physical Education Program Improvement and Self Study Guide for Middle School, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1998, \$8

Principles of Safety in Physical Education and Sport (2nd ed.), Dougherty N (Ed.), 1994, \$35

Quality Coaches, Quality Sports: National Standards for Athletic Coaches, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1995, \$22

Active Youth: Ideas for Implementing CDC Physical Activity Promotion Guidelines, Samman P, 1998, \$12 Available from: Human Kinetics Publishers; phone: (800)747-4457; fax: (217)351-1549; web site: http://www.humankinetics.com

Adapted Physical Education National Standards, National Consortium for Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities, 1995, \$26

Available from: Human Kinetics Publishers; phone: (800)747-4457; fax: (217)351-1549; web site: http://www.humankinetics.com

Complete Guide to Youth Fitness Testing, Safrit MJ & Pemberton C, 1995, \$16

Available from: Human Kinetics Publishers; phone: (800)747-4457; fax: (217)351-1549; web site: http://www.humankinetics.com

Guidelines for the Development of Fitness, Physical Activity, Recreation, and Sport Facilities, Sawyer TH, LaRue R, Seidler T & Goldfine B, 1999, \$27

Available from: American Association for Active Lifestyles and Fitness; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-9553

Guidelines for School Intramural Programs, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1995, no cost (position paper)

Ávailable from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education, (800)213-7193, ext. 410; (703)476-

Physical Education, Seefeldt VD, chapter in Health is Academic: A Guide to Coordinated School Health Programs, Marx E & Wooley SF (Eds.) with Northrop D, 1998, \$24.95

Available from: Teachers College Press; phone: (800)575-6566; fax: (802)864-7626; e-mail: tcp.orders@aidcvt.com; web site: http://tc-press.tc.columbia.edu/order2.html

Substitution for Instructional Physical Education Programs, National Association for Sport and Physical Education, 1995, no cost (position paper)

Available from: National Association for Sport and Physical Education, (800)213-7193, ext. 410; (703)476-

A Teacher's Guide to.Including Students with Disabilities in Regular Physical Education, Block ME, 1994, \$39 Available from: Paul H. Brookes Publishing Company, Baltimore, MD; phone: (800)638-3775; fax: (410)337-

Title IX Tool Box, Carpenter L & Acosta V (Eds.), Volume I, 1991, and Volume II, 1997, \$62 Available from: National Association for Girls and Women in Sports; phone: (800)321-0789; fax: (301)567-



### **Organizations**

American Heart Association (AHA) National Office 7272 Greenville Avenue Dallas, TX 75231-4596 (800)242-8721 http://www.americanheart.org

National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) 1900 Association Drive Reston, VA 20191-1599 (800)213-7193, ext.410 (703)476-8316 (fax) naspe@aahperd.org http://www.aahperd.org/naspe/naspe.html

National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) 11724 NW Plaza Circle PO Box 20626 Kansas City, MO 64195-0626 (816)464-5400 (816)464-5571 (fax) http://www.nfhs.org

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) NHBLI Information Center PO Box 30105 Bethesda, MD 20824-0105 (301)251-1222 (301)251-1223 (fax) nhlbiic@dgsys.com http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov National Program for Playground Safety School of HPELS University of Northern Iowa Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0618 (800)554-PLAY (7529) (319)273-5833 (fax) http://www.uni.edu/playground

President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports (PCPFS) 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 738H Washington, DC 20201-0004 (202)690-9000 (202)690-5211 (fax)

Society of State Directors of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (SSDHPER) 1900 Association Drive Reston, VA 20191-1599 (800)213-7193, ext. 402 or (703)476-3402 (703)476-9527 (fax) http://www.thesociety.org



### Resources for Module 4: Nutrition Services

### **Materials**

Accommodating Children with Special DietaryNeeds in the School Nutrition Programs: Guidance for School Food Service Staff, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Food and Consumer Service, 1995, no cost Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Food and Nutrition Information Center; phone: (301)504-5719; fax: (301)504-6409; web site: http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/

CARE: Special Nútrition for Kids, Alabama Department of Education/revised by U.S. Department if Agriculture, 1995, \$19

Available from: National Food Service Management Institute; phone: (800)321-3054; fax: (800)321-3061 Competencies, Knowledge and Skills Required of Effective School Nutrition Managers, Conklin M (Ed.), 1995, \$15 Available from: National Food Service Management Institute; phone: (800)321-3054; fax: (800)321-3061 Eat to Learn, Learn to Eat: The Link Between Nutrition and Learning in Children, National Health/Education

Consortium, 1993, \$10

Available from: Institute for Educational Leadership; phone: (202)822-8405; fax: (202)872-4050

Healthy Eating Helps You Make the Grade!, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition, 1999, no cost Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition; 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010, Alexandria, VA 22302; phone: (703)305-1624; fax: (703)305-2879; e-mail: teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov

Healthy EDGE 2000 (Implementing the Dietary Guidelines for Americans in Schools), School Food Service Foundation, 1998, Participant Manual, \$25; Trainer Guide, \$20; Disk Presentation, \$7.50 Available from: American School Food Service Association Emporium; phone: (800)728-0728 For information on the School Food Service Foundation's 10-hour Healthy EDGE 2000 workshop, call (800)877-8822, ext. 130

Healthy School Meals - Healthy Kids: A Leadership Guide for School Decision-Makers, U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition, 1997, no cost

Available from: U.S. Department of Agriculture/Team Nutrition; 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1010, Alexandria, VA 22302; phone: (703)305-1624; fax: (703)305-2879; e-mail: teamnutrition@fns.usda.gov Keys to Excellence: Standards of Practice for Nutrition Integrity, American School Food Service Association, 1995, \$19,55

Available from: American School Food Service Association Emporium; phone: (800)728-0728

Keys to Excellence Support Materials, Hopkins C, 1996, \$5.50

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