

Northern York County School District

Curriculum Overview

Course: Elementary Health

Grade Level: K-5

Approval Date: June 2022 Length of Time: 15 days

Course Description:

The elementary health program will serve to enhance and support the overall wellness of our student population. Students are introduced to topics promoting a positive and well-rounded frame of understanding their bodies. Students are afforded the opportunity to connect physical health and activity to their mental and emotional health. This program uses the standards outlined by the state of Pennsylvania to guide K-5 healthful living. Each unit is one class period in length with the exception of Unit 13, which is two.

Course Objectives:

- Students understand the correlations between physical, mental, and emotional health.
- Students define 'community' and understand the importance of active, inclusive participation.
- Students learn the concept of 'safety' in different situations.
- Students understand self-assessment, self-regulation, and self-improvement.

Units:

- Unit 1 Introduction to wellness education.
- Unit 2 Whole body wellness
- Unit 3 Decision making and external influences
- Unit 4 Inclusivity and acceptance
- Unit 5 Community
- Unit 6 Safety
- Unit 7 Profile of a graduate
- Unit 8 SMART Goals
- Unit 9 Self regulation and coping
- Unit 10 Personal hygiene
- Unit 11 Responsibility and self-awareness
- Unit 12 Teamwork
- Unit 13 Cooperative learning, communication, and collaboration
- Unit 14 Safe summer choices

Related Standards:

Pennsylvania Academic Standards for Health, Safety and Physical Education

10.1.3/10.1.6 A-E - Concepts of Health

- 10.2.3/10.2.6 A-E Healthful Living
- 10.3.3/10.3.6 A-D Safety and Injury Prevention

Concepts:

- The connection between physical, mental, and emotional health.
- Promote cross-curricular learning and collaboration with classroom teachers.
- Enhance student exposure to affective learning, impactful cooperation, and meaningful communication.

Competencies:

- Defining what it means to have a healthy mind and body.
- Learning how to take care of self. Making smart choices for safe and healthy bodies.
- Examining what it means to be part of a community. Who are our community members and how do we actively participate to help our community?
- Recognizing safe practices, following rules, and our self-awareness.
- Deepening our understanding of the meaning of the Profile of a Graduate.
- Creating and applying SMART goals for physical, mental, and emotional health.
- Recognizing and supporting differences in ourselves and our peers. How to celebrate our differences and use them to succeed collectively.
- Participating in movement skills that aid in supporting self-regulation.
- Learning problem solving teambuilding skills and how to use meaningful and productive communication.

Learning Activities:

- Collaborative learning and teambuilding.
- Challenge by choice.
- Group discussion.
- Small group problem solving.
- Physical connection to mental and emotional health and wellness.

Performance Tasks:

- Formative Assessment
- Task Cards
- Project Based Assessment
- Self/Peer Assessment
- Debriefing and Reflection

Other Assessment Measures:

- Question and Answer
- Whole and Small Group Discussion
- Self-Reflection Worksheets
- PowerPoint Group Review

Textbook/Primary Resource:

The Pennsylvania standards for Health, Safety and Physical Education.

SHAPE America – Society of Health and Physical Educators, National Standards for Health and Physical Education

PSAHPERD – Pennsylvania State Association for Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance

Supplemental Resource Materials:

The American Heart Association Teacher Resource Page

The American Red Cross Teacher Resource Page

Videos Related to Outlined Topics

Teacher-created PowerPoints