Olathe Public Schools Fourth-Grade Health Curriculum

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**Personal and Community Health**

**NHES Performance Indicators**

**Standard 1 — Essential Concepts**

1.5.1 – Describe the relationship between healthy behaviors and personal health.
1.5.3 – Describe ways in which safe and healthy school and community environments can promote personal health.
1.5.4 – Describe ways to prevent common childhood injuries and health problems.

**Standard 2 — Analyzing Influences**

2.5.4 – Describe how the school and community can support personal health practices and behaviors.

**Standard 5 — Decision Making**

5.5.4 – Predict the potential outcomes of each option when making a health-related decision.

**Standard 6 — Goal Setting**

6.5.2 – Identify resources to assist in achieving a personal health goal.

**Standard 7 — Practicing Health-Enhancing Behaviors**

7.5.1 – Identify responsible personal health behaviors.
7.5.2 – Demonstrate a variety of healthy practices and behaviors to maintain or improve personal health.

**Essential Concepts / Focus Skills**

- Identify positive health practices that reduce illness, disease, and injury. (i.e. hygiene) (1.5.1, 1.5.4, 5.5.4, 7.5.1)
- Identify environmental factors that impact the body. (i.e. smoke) (1.5.4, 5.5.4)
- Set a short term goal for positive health practices. (1.5.1, 1.5.4, 5.5.4, 6.5.2, 7.5.2)
- Give examples of the ways society and science influence personal health. (1.5.3, 2.5.4)

**Suggested Lesson Plans / Resources / Activities**

- **Positive Health Practices**:
  - Hygiene - Refer to Human Growth and Development Unit facilitated by school nurse
  - Research how much sleep school-age children require for good health.
  - [http://www.cdc.gov/features/sleep/](http://www.cdc.gov/features/sleep/)
  - Suggested activity: Set goal for hours of sleep each night – track for one week
➢ **Environmental Factors:**  
  • “Tar Wars” lesson – taught by school nurse OR classroom teacher (See Substance Safety)

➢ **Influences on Personal Health**  
  • Pair with “Tar Wars” lesson – peer pressure (See Substance Safety)  
  • Emphasize harm of both smoke and smokeless tobacco/nicotine products, including chewing tobacco and vaping/"Juuling."  Include vaping/"Juuling" as a form of smoking since companies have marketed vaping as the “safe” alternative to smoking and most students do not equate the two. Include the chemicals included in even non-nicotine vaping products.  

**Vocabulary students know and use:** personal hygiene, bacteria- good/bad, self-control, personal health goals, decision-making process, self-reflection, improvement, stages of sleep, immune system, routine, caffeine

**Nutrition**

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3.5.1 – Identify characteristics of valid health information, products, and service.

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**Essential Concepts / Focus Skills**  
• Identify what foods to eat more of, and explain that nutrients in food help us grow and stay healthy. (3.5.1, 5.5.1, 5.5.4, 7.5.1)  
• Describe the terms solid fats and added sugars. (1.5.1, 5.5.1, 5.5.4, 7.5.1)  
• Identify foods that are high in solid fats and added sugars and discuss the benefits of limiting the consumption. (3.5.1, 5.5.1, 5.5.4, 7.5.1)  
• Explain the concept of eating in moderation. (5.5.1, 5.5.4, 7.5.2)
Suggested Lesson Plans / Resources / Activities

- **Serving My Plate, U.S. Department of Agriculture: Resources and Reproducibles:**
  - Course 3 (start at page 19) [https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/tn/sump_level2.pdf](https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/tn/sump_level2.pdf)
  - Pair with science standard 4-LS1-1 (protein for healthy muscles, calcium and Vitamin D for healthy bones)

- **Sugars:** Watch YouTube video “How Humans: Drink Sugar” and identify and compare drinks that contain added sugars
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-w1XhNAG4bc&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-w1XhNAG4bc&feature=youtu.be)
  - Fit4schools – Sugar counts [https://fit4schools.sanfordfit.org/courses/fit/topics/sugarcounds](https://fit4schools.sanfordfit.org/courses/fit/topics/sugarcounds) and [https://fit.sanfordhealth.org/resources/how-much-sugar-is-too-much-video](https://fit.sanfordhealth.org/resources/how-much-sugar-is-too-much-video)

- **Fats:** Choose My Plate – What are Solid Fats? [https://www.choosemyplate.gov/what-are-solid-fats](https://www.choosemyplate.gov/what-are-solid-fats)
  - [https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/educational/wecan/eat-right/portion-distortion.htm](https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/educational/wecan/eat-right/portion-distortion.htm) (PowerPoint link on this page)

**Vocabulary students know and use:** five food groups, healthy foods, healthy meal, healthy lifestyle, nutrients, solid fats, added sugars, moderation, healthier choices, decision, consume, consumption

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**Injury Prevention and Safety**

**NHES Performance Indicators**

**Standard 1 — Essential Concepts**

1.5.4 – Describe ways to prevent common childhood injuries and health problems.

**Standard 3 — Accessing Valid Information**

3.5.1 – Identify characteristics of valid health information, products, and service.

**Standard 5 — Decision Making**

5.5.2 – Analyze when assistance is needed in making a health-related decision.
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**Standard 7 — Practicing Health-Enhancing Behaviors**

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7.5.3 – Demonstrate a variety of behaviors to avoid or reduce health risks.

**Standard 8 — Health Promotion**

8.5.1 – Express opinions and give accurate information about health issues.
Essential Concepts / Focus Skills

- Apply school wide safety expectations for recess, cafeteria, classroom, and hallway (1.5.4, 7.5.1, 7.5.3)
- Understand and practice appropriate emergency procedures (fire & tornado drill/ALICE) (1.5.4, 7.5.1, 7.5.3)
- Identify and demonstrate ways to prevent vision and hearing damage. (1.5.4, 5.5.4, 7.5.1, 7.5.2, 7.5.3)
- Discuss how a substance is a chemical that has the potential to enter into and affect the body in a helpful or harmful way. (1.5.4)

Suggested Lesson Plans / Resources / Activities

- Teaching Routines and Procedures:
  - Creating Classroom Agreements
  - PBIS Lessons
- Vision: Pair with science standard 4-PS4-2 (light entering the eye)
  - Suggested Activity: Use iPads and earbuds to demonstrate safe distance from screen, safe volume level for ears, etc.
- Harmful Substances: Pair with “Tar Wars” lesson – taught by school nurse OR classroom teacher (See Substance Safety)

Vocabulary students know and use: Fire drill, tornado drill, ALICE, personal safety, noise-induced hearing loss, threatening situations, substance, chemical, vision

Substance Safety

NHES Performance Indicators

Standard 2 — Analyzing Influences
2.5.5 – Explain how media influences thoughts, feelings, and health behaviors.

Standard 5 — Decision Making
5.5.2 – Analyze when assistance is needed in making a health-related decision.
5.5.4 – Predict the potential outcomes of each option when making a health-related decision.

Standard 6 — Goal Setting
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8.5.2 – Encourage others to make positive health choices.
Essential Concepts / Focus Skills

- Identify the negative effects of tobacco use (short-term health effects and image-based consequences). (5.5.4, 8.5.1)
- Discuss situations where peer pressure is present and demonstrate strategies to resist negative peer pressure. (5.5.2, 7.5.1, 7.5.3)
- Examine advertising strategies used for tobacco and targeted to youth. (2.5.5)
- Make a plan to choose healthy alternatives to tobacco and drug use and encourage others to do so. (5.5.2, 6.5.2, 8.5.2)
- Reinforce and practice the district elementary medication policy. (1.5.5, 7.5.1, 2.5.4)
  - All medications taken to the school nurse.
  - Some students can carry medication for asthma (inhaler) and severe allergies (epinephrine autoinjector) with approval of doctor, parent, and school nurse.

Suggested Lesson Plans / Resources / Activities

- Refusing Tobacco Usage: "Tar Wars" lesson covers all these concepts – taught by school nurse OR classroom teacher
    (Free resource. Lesson Plan consists of a one-hour presentation. Identify that the program is a program of the American Academy of Family Physicians – see Page 2 of program guide. Program guide updated annually.)


- 2019-2020 guide contained 14 activities. Use the following:
  - Activity 1: What’s in a Cigarette
  - Activity 4: Effects on Breathing
  - Activity 5: Lung Damage from Smoke (Pig Lungs available for checkout (school nurse)
  - Activity 6: Smokeless Flavored Tobacco Products
  - Activity 8: Electronic Cigarettes
  - Activity 9: What is JUUL®
  - Activity 11: Power of Advertising
  - Activity 12: Reasons People Use Tobacco

Vocabulary students know and use: judgment, short and long term effects, choices, consequences, decisions, persuasive, negative pressures, alternatives, nicotine, tar, carbon monoxide, mercury, arsenic
Human Growth and Development

NHES Performance Indicators

Standard 1 — Essential Concepts
1.5.1 — Describe the relationship between healthy behaviors and personal health.

Standard 2 — Analyzing Influences
2.5.1 — Describe how family influences personal health practices and behaviors.
2.5.4 — Describe how the school and community can support personal health practices and behaviors.
2.5.5 — Explain how media influences thoughts, feelings, and health behaviors.

Standard 3 — Accessing Valid Information
3.5.2 — Locate resources from home, school, and community that provide valid health information.

Standard 4 — Interpersonal Communication
4.5.1 — Demonstrate effective verbal and nonverbal communication skills to enhance health.
4.5.4 — Demonstrate how to ask for assistance to enhance personal health.

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Essential Concepts / Focus Skills

- Identify and describe how personal hygiene practices can support health.
- Demonstrate a beginning knowledge of female anatomy as it relates to changes during puberty. (girls)
- Demonstrate a beginning knowledge of male anatomy as it relates to changes during puberty. (boys)
- Discuss how people vary widely in size, height, shape, and rate of maturation.
- Identify parents or other trusted adults of whom students can ask questions about puberty and adolescent health issues.
- Identify strategies to manage the physical and emotional changes associated with puberty.
- Describe characteristics of a responsible person.
- Demonstrate ways to treat others with dignity and respect.

Suggested Lesson Plans / Resources / Activities

- Human Growth and Development Unit:
  *Taught by school nurse
See Olathe Public Schools *Human Growth and Development Unit* for approved lesson plans, vocabulary lists, and resources.

- Send parent letter prior to the beginning of the unit with ample time for opt-out process.
- Refer to “opt-out” policy if requested by parent.
- A parent preview copy of the resources for this unit is housed at the IRC.

**Vocabulary students know and use:** puberty, menstruation/period (girls), hygiene, pimples/acne, antiperspirant, deodorant, hormones, perspiration, female anatomy (girls), male anatomy (boys), emotions/feelings, feminine hygiene products (girls), rate of maturation

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<td>5.5.1 Identify health-related situations that might require a thoughtful decision. 5.5.2 Analyze when assistance is needed in making a health-related decision. 5.5.3 List healthy options to health-related issues or problems. 5.5.4 Predict the potential outcomes of each option when making a health-related decision. 5.5.5 Choose a healthy option when making a decision. 5.5.6 Describe the outcomes of a health-related decision.</td>
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