Wellness Policy Assessment Tool

This template provides information on wellness policy goals and practices within the LEA. Use this tool to track progress and gather ideas on ways to create a healthier school environment. A separate assessment should be completed for each school or at a minimum, each school level. The wellness policy and completed assessment must be available to the public.

LEA/District Name: Horizon Science Academy 1
School Name: Horizon Science Academy 1
Reviewer:

Select all grades: PK K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Yes No

I. Public Involvement

☐ ☐ We encourage the following to participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of our wellness policy:

☑ Administrators ☑ School Food Service Staff ☑ P.E. Teachers ☑ Parents
☑ School Board Members ☑ School Health Professionals ☑ Students ☑ Public

☐ ☐ We have a designee in charge of compliance.

Name/Title: Evie Crosby

☐ ☐ We make our policy available to the public.

Please describe: On our website

☐ ☐ We measure the implementation of our policy goals and communicate results to the public.

Please describe: Board meeting

☐ ☐ Our district reviews the wellness policy at least annually.

II. Nutrition Education

☐ ☐ Our district’s written wellness policy includes measurable goals for nutrition education.

☐ ☐ We offer standards based nutrition education in a variety of subjects (e.g. science, health, math, etc).

☐ ☐ We offer nutrition education to students in: ☑ Elementary School ☑ Middle School ☑ High School

Yes No

III. Nutrition Promotion

☐ ☐ Our district’s written wellness policy includes measurable goals for nutrition promotion.

☐ ☐ We promote healthy eating and nutrition education with signage, use of creative menus, posters, bulletin boards, etc.

☐ ☐ We have reviewed Smarter Lunchroom techniques and evaluated our ability to implement some of them.

☐ ☐ We place fruits and vegetables where they are easy to access (e.g. near the cafeteria cashier or near the front of the line).

☐ ☐ We ensure students have access to hand-washing facilities prior to meals.

☐ ☐ We annually evaluate how to market and promote our school meal program(s).

☐ ☐ We regularly share school meal nutrition, calorie, and sodium content information with students and families.

☐ ☐ We offer taste testing or menu planning opportunities to our students.

☐ ☐ We participate in Farm to School activities and/or have a school garden.

☐ ☐ We only advertise and promote nutritious foods and beverages on school grounds (e.g. buildings, playing fields, etc).

☐ ☐ We price nutritious foods and beverages lower than less nutritious foods and beverages.

☐ ☐ We offer fruits or non-fried vegetables in: ☐ Vending Machines ☐ School Stores ☐ Snack Bars ☐ à La Carte

☐ ☐ We have nutritional standards for foods/beverages served at school parties, celebrations, events, etc.

☐ ☐ We provide teachers with samples of alternative reward options other than food or beverages.

☐ ☐ We prohibit the use of food and beverages as a reward.

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IV. Nutrition Guidelines (Cont. from page 1)

- Our district’s written wellness policy addresses nutrition standards for USDA reimbursable meals.
- We operate the School Breakfast program: ☑ Before School  ☐ In the Classroom  ☐ Grab & Go
- We follow all nutrition regulations for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP).
- We operate an Afterschool Snack Program.
- We operate the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.
- We have a Certified Food Handler as our Food Service Manager.
- We have adopted and implemented Smart Snacks nutrition standards for ALL items sold during school hours, including:
  ☐ as à La Carte Offerings  ☐ in School Stores  ☐ in Vending Machines  ☐ as Fundraisers

V. Physical Activity

- Our district’s written wellness policy includes measurable goals for physical activity.
- We provide physical education for elementary students on a weekly basis.
- We provide physical education for middle school during a term or semester.
- We require physical education classes for graduation (high schools only).
- We provide recess for elementary students on a daily basis.
- We provide opportunities for physical activity integrated throughout the day.
- We prohibit staff and teachers from keeping kids in from recess for punitive reasons.
- Teachers are allowed to offer physical activity as a reward for students.
- We offer before or after school physical activity: ☑ Competitive sports  ☑ Non-competitive sports  ☑ Other clubs

VI. Other School Based Wellness Activities

- Our district’s written wellness policy includes measurable goals for other school-based activities that promote wellness.
- We provide training to staff on the importance of modeling healthy behaviors.
- We provide annual training to all staff on: ☐ Nutrition  ☐ Physical Activity
- We have a staff wellness program.
- We have school district staff who are CPR certified (e.g. teachers, coaches, counselors, food service staff).
- We actively promote walk or bike to school for students with Safe Routes to School or other related programs.
- We have a recycling/environmental stewardship program.
- We have a recognition/reward program for students who exhibit healthy behaviors.
- We have community partnerships which support programs, projects, events, or activities.

VII. Progress Report: Indicate any additional wellness practices and/or future goals and describe progress made in attaining the goals of the local wellness policy

VIII. Contact Information:

For more information about this school’s wellness policy/practices, or ways to get involved, contact the Wellness Committee Coordinator.

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