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### District Wellness Committee Minutes Thursday, November 6, 2025

Video call link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/ouh-hhnt-pmt">https://meet.google.com/ouh-hhnt-pmt</a>

### I. Welcome

- a. Notice of Recording
  - i. We are at the Thursday, November 6, district wellness committee meeting. Just a reminder, we are recording and it is open to the public, but I don't see anyone coming.
- b. Attendance
  - i. Looks like we're missing quite a few. So, we'll see what we can get done with the few of us that are here.

### II. Review of October Committee Discussion

- a. We have to go through the model policy and look at what we actually have in writing somewhere and match that up to the wellness the model policy to see what we're missing. And then from that we have to create action steps and goals that we monitor then for next year and then the year after that.
- b. We had also talked about doing some of the things wellness challenges or health challenges, but at the time we decided to do one thing at a time and kind of get over this hump before we did anything else. So that was kind of an overview of what we decided to do last year.

### III. Items for Discussion

- a. Compare our policies & regulations with the Model Policy
  - i. This is the model policy. I don't know if you had enough time to go through some of it. I did try to go through and match some things and found a lot of things missing. We have our RA which is the Student Wellness Regulation. We have the JL RA and RB wellness regulations. Dr. Stewart did send out administrative regulations at the end of October for snacks and rewards and things. And then we have the wellness plan that the committee put together at the end of 2023 2024 but we started working on it last year.
  - ii. Does it have to be directly stated in the policy or is it like we have knowledge that we do it or... It has to be in writing.
  - iii. The Committee compared the model policy with our policies, regulations, and other documents. We completed the following sections which were scored below:
    - 1. Goals for Nutrition Promotion 2/7
    - 2. Goals for Nutrition Education 6/12
    - 3. Goals for Physical Education and Physical Activity 9/29
  - iv. We continue comparing the model policy with our policies and documents at the next meeting, beginning with Goals for Other School-Based Activities that Promote Student Wellness.
- b. Create Goals
- c. If time, begin the Local Wellness Policy Activity and Assessment Tool
- d. Revisit staff &/or community wellness activities
- IV. Items for December 4
  - a. Continue reviewing Model Policy as compared to our policies and documents
- V. Adjourn & Stop Recording

## Members Present

Alejandra Castaneda Dawn McCann Jennifer Lott Jenny Becker Karen Johnson Layla Downing Mayia Moletin Nancy Papke

Sherri Vorak



# Local Wellness Policy Assessment Comparison with a Model Policy

The Local Wellness Policy Final Rule requires LEAs to assess the extent to which their district Local Wellness Policy aligns with model policies at least once every three years.

#### **Instructions**

**Goals for Nutrition Promotion** 

- Obtain a copy of your written local wellness policy and any accompanying action plans used to guide implementation.
- 2. Review each section of your policy and check off the boxes below if your policy or action plan includes language similar to the language below.
- 3. Tally the number of check boxes for each section of the policy. Add any additional information that is in your policy but not included below.
- 4. Identify the areas of strength and success, as well as the areas the district wants to work on in the coming years.
- 5. Share the results with the District Wellness Committee and the public.

The district will encourage participation in school meal programs.	The district will implement at least 4 of the following 5 Farm to School activities:
The district will implement at least 10 Smarter Lunchroom Techniques.	<ul> <li>Local and/or regional products are incorporated into the school meal program.</li> </ul>
School meal program menus will be posted on the	<ul> <li>Messages about agriculture and nutrition are</li> </ul>
district website or individual school sites.  Menus will include nutrient content and	reinforced throughout the learning environment.
ingredients.	<ul> <li>School hosts a school garden.</li> </ul>
Participation in meal programs will be promoted to	<ul> <li>School hosts field trips to local farms</li> </ul>
families.	<ul> <li>School utilizes promotions or special events to</li> </ul>
☐ 100% of foods and beverages promoted to students meet the USDA's Smart Snacks in	highlight local/regional products.
Schools standards.	
Schools standards.	Nutrition Promotion Subtotalof 7
Goals for Nutrition Education  Nutrition education is designed to provide students with	ı the knowledge and skills necessary to promote and
protect their health.	
Nutrition education is taught as part of health education	1.
Nutrition education is incorporated into instructions throsocial sciences and electives.	ough other subjects like math, science, language arts,
<ul><li>Nutrition education includes enjoyable and development limited to):</li><li>○ Cooking demonstrations</li></ul>	ntally appropriate participatory activities including (but not
○ Taste testing	
Promotion of new items	
○ School gardens	
⊙ Farm tours	
Lessons will promote fruits, vegetables, whole grain-ric	h products, low-fat and fat-free dairy, and healthy food
preparation methods.	
Education lessons will emphasize caloric balance between	een food intake and energy expenditure.

### Goals for Nutrition Education

and other nutrition related community activities.  Media literacy with an emphasis on food and beverage marketing is taught.  Teachers and other staff receive training in nutrition education.  Elementary Schools- Nutrition education is offered at each grade level as part of sequential, comprehensive standards-based health education curriculum.  Health education teachers will provide opportunities for students to practice or rehearse the skills taught through the health education curricula.  Health education lessons include a minimum of 12 of the following essential topics on healthy eating:  Relationship between healthy eating and personal health and disease prevention.  Food guidance from MyPlate.  Reading and using the FDA's Nutrition Facts labels.  Eating a variety of foods every day.  Balancing food intake and physical activity.  Eating more fruits and vegetables and whole grain products.  Choosing foods that are low in fat, saturated fat, and cholesterol and do not contain trans-fat.  Choosing foods and beverages with little added sugar.  Eating more calcium-rich foods  Preparing healthy meals and snacks  Risks of unhealthy weight control practices  Accepting body size difference  Food safety  Importance of water consumption  Importance of eating breakfast  Making healthy choices when eating at restaurants eating disorders	Codis for Natificial Education
<ul> <li>Relationship between healthy eating and personal health and disease prevention.</li> <li>Food guidance from MyPlate.</li> <li>Reading and using the FDA's Nutrition Facts labels.</li> <li>Eating a variety of foods every day.</li> <li>Balancing food intake and physical activity.</li> <li>Eating more fruits and vegetables and whole grain products.</li> <li>Choosing foods that are low in fat, saturated fat, and cholesterol and do not contain trans-fat.</li> <li>Choosing foods and beverages with little added sugar.</li> <li>Eating more calcium-rich foods</li> <li>Preparing healthy meals and snacks</li> <li>Risks of unhealthy weight control practices</li> <li>Accepting body size difference</li> <li>Food safety</li> <li>Importance of water consumption</li> <li>Importance of eating breakfast</li> <li>Making healthy choices when eating at restaurants eating disorders</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Media literacy with an emphasis on food and beverage marketing is taught.</li> <li>☐ Teachers and other staff receive training in nutrition education.</li> <li>☐ Elementary Schools- Nutrition education is offered at each grade level as part of sequential, comprehensive standards-based health education curriculum.</li> <li>☐ Health education teachers will provide opportunities for students to practice or rehearse the skills taught through</li> </ul>
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- o Reducing sodium intake.
- o Social influences on healthy eating, including media, family, press and peers.
- o How to find valid information or services related to nutrition and dietary behavior.
- o How to develop a plan and track progress toward achieving a personal goal to eat healthfully.
- o Resisting peer pressure related to unhealthy dietary behavior or influencing, supporting, or advocating for others' healthy dietary behavior.

Nutrition Education Subtotal \_\_\_\_ of 12

## Goals for Physical Education and Physical Activity Physical activity during the day (including but not limited to recess, classroom physical activity breaks, or physical education) will not be used or withheld as punishment for any reason. The district will implement a Comprehensive School Physical Activity Program (CSPAP). To the extent practicable, the district will ensure that its grounds and facilities are safe and that equipment is available for all students to be active. Through a formal joint- or shared-use agreement, indoor and outdoor physical activity facilities and spaces will be open to students, their families, and the community outside of school hours. The district will work with schools to ensure that inventories of physical activity supplies and equipment are known and, when necessary, will work with community partners to ensure sufficient quantities of equipment are available to encourage physical activity for as many students as possible. All district elementary students in each grade will receive physical education for at least (choose one) o 60-89 minutes per week o 90-149 minutes per week o 150 or more minutes per week All district secondary students are required to take the equivalent of one academic year of physical education. o Optional- Secondary students will take more than one academic year of physical education. o Optional- Secondary students will take physical education throughout all secondary school years. The district will provide students with formal, age-appropriate physical education, consistent with national and state standards for physical education. Physical education program will promote student physical fitness through individualized fitness and activity assessments (via the Presidential Youth Fitness Program or other appropriate assessment tool). ☑ Students will be moderately to vigorously active for at least 50% of class time during most or all physical education class sessions. All physical education teachers in the district will be required to participate in a least a once per year professional development in education. ∐ All physical education classes in the district are taught by licensed teachers who are certified or endorsed to teach physical education. Waivers, exemptions, or substitutions for physical education classes are not granted. All elementary schools will offer at least 20 minutes of recess on all days during the school year. If recess is offered before lunch, proper hand washing measures will be in place. Recess will be offered outdoors when weather is possible. Recess is a complement not a substitute for physical education class. Recess monitors will encourage students to be active and will serve as role models by being physically active along with students when possible. The district offers opportunities for students to participate in physical activity before school. The district offers opportunities for students to participate in physical activity after school. Health education will be required in all grades (elementary) and the district will require middle and high school students to take a pass at least one health education course. Teachers will serve as role models by being physically active alongside students whenever possible. ☐The district will include in the health education curriculum a minimum of 12 of the following essential topics on physical activity. o The physical, physiological, or social benefits of physical activity How physical activity can contribute to a healthy weight. How physical activity can contribute to the academic learning process. o How an inactive lifestyle contributes to chronic disease. o Health-related fitness, including cardiovascular endurance, muscular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, and body composition. o Differences between physical activity, exercise, and fitness. o Phases of an exercise session including warm up, workout, and cool down. Overcoming barriers to physical activity Decreasing sedentary activities such as TV watching o Opportunities for physical activity in the community

 Preventing injury during physical activity. o Weather-related safety, for example, avoiding heat stroke, hypothermia, and sunburn while being physically active. o How much physical activity is enough, including determining frequency, intensity, time, and type of physical activity. o Developing an individualized physical activity and fitness plan. o Monitoring progress toward reaching goals in an individualized physical activity plan o Dangers of using performance-enhancing drugs such as steroids o Social influences on physical activity including media, family, peers, and culture. o How to find valid information or services related to physical activity and fitness. How to influence, support, or advocate for others to engage in physical activity o How to resist peer pressure that discourages physical activity. Students will be offered periodic opportunities to be physically active or to stretch throughout the day on all or most days during a typical school week. ☐The district recommends teachers provide short (3-5 minute) physical activity breaks to students during and between classroom time at least 3 days per week. ☐The district will provide resources and links to resources, tools, and technology with ideas for classroom physical activity breaks. ☐Teachers will incorporate movement and kinesthetic learning approaches into "core" subject instruction when possible and will do their part to reduce sedentary behavior during the day. JThe district will support active transport to and from school such as walking or biking. The district will encourage active transport by engaging in six or more of the following: Designate safe or preferred routes to school. o Promote activities such as participation in international Walk to School Week, National Walk and Bike to Walk to School Week. o Secure storage facilities for bicycles and helmets. o Instruction on walking/bicycling safety provided to students. o Promote safe routes to school program to students, staff, parents via newsletters, websites, and local newspaper. Use crossing guards. Use crosswalks on streets leading to schools. o Use walking school buses. Document the number of children walking and/or biking to and from school.

o Create and distribute maps of the school environment (sidewalks, crosswalks, roads, pathways, bike racks

etc).

Goals for Other School-Basea Activities that Promo	te Student Wellness
<ul> <li>All school-sponsored events will adhere to the wellness policy guidelines.</li> <li>All school-sponsored wellness events will include physical activity and healthy eating opportunities.</li> <li>The district will (develop, enhance or continue) relationship with community partners as appropriate, including:         <ul> <li>Hospitals</li> <li>Universities/colleges</li> <li>Local businesses</li> <li>SNAP-Ed Providers</li> </ul> </li> <li>The district will promote to parents/caregivers, families, and the general community the benefits of and approaches to healthy eating and physical activity throughout the school year.</li> <li>Families will be informed and invited to participate in school-sponsored activities and will receive information about health promotion efforts.</li> <li>The district will use electronic and non-electronic mechanisms to ensure that all families are actively notified of opportunities to participate in school-sponsored activities and receive information about health promotion efforts.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ The district wellness committee will have a staff wellness subcommittee that focuses on staff wellness issues, identifies and disseminates wellness resources and performs other functions that support staff wellness in coordination with human resources staff.</li> <li>○ Subcommittee leader's name is listed in the policy</li> <li>□ Schools in the district will implement strategies to support staff in actively promoting and modeling healthy eating and physical activity behaviors, and 3-4 strategies are listed.</li> <li>□ The district promotes staff member participation in health promotion programs.</li> <li>□ The district uses healthy meeting policy for all events with available food options, created by the district wellness committee to optimize healthy food options.</li> <li>□ When possible, the district will offer annual professional learning opportunities and resources for staff to increase knowledge and skills about promoting healthy behaviors in the classroom and schools.</li> <li>Other Activities Subtotal of 1</li> </ul>
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Policies for School Meal Standards  □ All schools in the district will participate in the National School Lunch Program. □ All schools in the district will participate in the School Breakfast Program. □ When possible, breakfast will be served in the classroom or via mobile grab and go carts. □ All schools in the district (where appropriate) will participate in the Afterschool Care Snack Program. □ When possible, schools will participate in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant. □ Meals will be accessible to all students. □ Meals will be appealing and attractive to students. □ Meals will be served in clean and pleasant settings. □ Meals served will meet or exceed the current nutrition requirements established by local, state, and Federal statutes and regulations. □ Students will be allowed at least 10 minutes to eat breakfast. □ Students will be allowed at least 20 minutes to eat	<ul> <li>Menus will be created/reviewed by a Registered Dietitian or other certified nutrition professional.</li> <li>School meals are administered by a team of nutrition professionals.</li> <li>The district child nutrition program will accommodate students with special dietary needs.</li> <li>Students will be served lunch at a reasonable and appropriate time of the day.</li> <li>Lunch will follow recess to better support learning and healthy eating.</li> <li>Local and/or regional products will be incorporated into the school meal programs.</li> <li>Free, potable water will be made available to all students during the meal period.</li> <li>Water sources and containers will be maintained on a regular basis to ensure good hygiene and health safety standards.</li> <li>Students will be allowed to bring and carry approved water bottles with only water in them throughout the day.</li> </ul>
lunch.	

Policies for Competitive Foods and Beverages	
Foods and beverages served outside the school meal properties nutrition standards, at a minimum.	rograms will meet the USDA Smart Snacks in School
	Competitive Food and Beveragesof
Policies for Celebrations and Rewards	
Foods served to students in grades K-8 will also meet (or standards, per the Arizona Nutrition Standards (ARS 15). These guidelines apply to (check all that apply):	
Celebrations and parties- The district will provide a including non-food celebration idea.	list of healthy party ideas to parents and teachers,
Classroom snacks brought in by parents. The distribution standards.	ct will provide parents a list of foods and beverages that
Rewards and incentives- The district will provide team ways to reward students.	achers and other school staff with a list of alternative
Food and beverage will not be used as a reward.	Celebrations and Rewards of 5
Policies for Fundraisers	
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The district will allow exempt fundraisers that sell food that does not meet the USDA's Smart Snacks in Schools standards on the school campuses during the school day.  The district will submit the exemption request form to ADE for all food related fundraisers when the foods do not meet USDA's Smart Snacks in Schools standards.  OF  The district has defined what it considers to be 'infrequent' for these exempt fundraisers.  The district has defined what it considers to be an appropriate short duration for these exempt fundraisers.  Fundraising done outside of school hours will sell only non-food items or food and beverage that meet the USDA's Smart Snacks in Schools standards.	<ul> <li>☐ The district will not allow exempt fundraisers. All foods and beverages sold as fundraisers will meet USDA's Smart Snacks in Schools standards.</li> <li>☐ Fundraisers will include only non-food items and physical activity-based fundraisers will be encouraged.</li> <li>☐ Fundraising done outside of school hours will sell only non-food items or food and beverage that meet the USDA's Smart Snacks in Schools standards.</li> </ul>
Fundraising of 5	Fundraising of 3
Policies for Food and Beverage Marketing	
Any food or beverages advertised on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines.  These guidelines apply to (Check all that apply)  Brand names, trademarks logos or tags, except when placed on a physically present food or beverage product or its container.  Displays such as on vending machine exteriors.  Corporate brand, logo, trademark, or name on school equipment such as marquees, message boards,	<ul> <li>□ Corporate brand, logo, trademark, or name on cups used for beverage dispensing, menu boards, coolers, trach cans, and other food service equipment, as well as on posters, book covers, school supplies displays etc.</li> <li>□ Advertisements in school publications or mailings.</li> <li>□ Free product samples, taste tests, or coupons of a product or free samples displaying advertising of a product.</li> <li>□ As the district, school nutrition services, athletic director, PTO/PTA reviews existing contracts and considers new contracts, equipment and purchasing, decisions should reflect the applicable marketing guidelines established by the wellness policy.</li> </ul>

Food and Beverage Marketing \_\_\_

District Wellness Committee Membership	
<ul> <li>□ The district convenes a representative district wellness committee (DWC).</li> <li>□ DWC includes representation from all school levels including (but not limited to):         <ul> <li>○ All school levels Parents/Caregivers Students</li> <li>○ Representative from School Nutrition Programs Physical education teacher</li> <li>○ Health education teacher</li> <li>○ School health professionals (nurses)</li> <li>○ Mental health and social services staff (counselors, psychologists, social workers)</li> <li>○ Administrators</li> <li>○ School board members</li> <li>○ Health professionals (dietitians, doctors, nurses) The general public</li> <li>○ To the extent possible, a representative from each school</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ The DWC meets at least 4 times per year.</li> <li>□ DWC includes representation from community partners (when feasible)</li> <li>□ Language that each school within the district will establish an on- going school wellness committee to review school-level, health related issues in coordination with the DWC.</li> <li>□ The public is notified of their ability to participate in the LWP process.</li> </ul>
Solicei	District Wellness Committee Membership of 6
District Wellness Committee Leadership	
Superintendent or other designee is listed as the person of and updates to the wellness policy and will ensure each one of Designee is  Other committee members' names are listed in the person of the	ch school's compliance with the policy.
	District Wellness Committee Leadership of 2
Implementation Plan	
<ul> <li>The district has a plan for implementation to manage and the plan includes roles, responsibilities, actions and time information about who will be responsible to make changed Schools use a specific tool (Alliance's Healthy Schools Factivity and assessment tool etc.) to complete a school-limplementation plan.</li> <li>The wellness policy and progress reports are posted onlipolicy.</li> </ul>	elines specific to each school and includes ges. Program, Action for Healthy Kids Game On, ADE's
	Implementation Planof 4
Recordkeeping	
the methods the district uses to make stakeholders at Documentation to demonstrate compliance with the an The most recent assessment on implementation of the Documentation demonstrating the most recent assess	able to the public.  cy, including indication of who is involved in the update and ware of their ability to participate.  Inual public notification requirements.  The school wellness policy
made available to the public.	Recordkeeping of

Annual Notification of Policy	
content, updates, and implementation status.  The district will make this information available via the communications.  Communications include (check all that apply):  As much information as possible about the school	nutrition environment ctivities related to wellness policy implementation ficials leading the wellness committee
	Annual Notification of Policyof 6
Triennial Assessment	
The extent to which the district's policy compares o A description of the progress made in attaining the	of the district are in compliance with the wellness policy. to the Alliance for a Healthier Generation's model policy. e goals in the wellness policy sessment name and contact info is listed in the policy.
•	Triennial Assessmentof 3
triennial assessments.  Policy will be updated when (check all that apply)  District priorities change,  Community needs change,  Wellness goals are met,  New health science information emerges,  New state or federal guidance/standards are issu	Revisions and Updating the Policyof 6
The district is committed to being responsive to community input.  District will actively communicate ways in which representatives of the DWC and others can participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of the policy through a variety of means appropriate for the district.  The district will inform parents of (check all that apply):  Improvements to school meals standards How to apply for meal benefits A description of and compliance with the Smart Snacks in Schools nutrition standards Updates to the policy at least annually Annual and triennial reports and assessments	Communications will include culturally and linguistically appropriate language.  The district will use (check all that apply):  Email  Notices on district website  Newsletters  Presentations to parents  Sending information home
	munity Involvement, Outreach, and Communications of 1

### **Additional District Goals and Policies**

Other Goals: Other Policies and Standards: Additional District Goals\_\_\_\_\_ Other Policies and Standards\_\_\_\_\_ **COMPARISON SUMMARY** Goals for Nutrition Promotion of 7 Areas where our policy aligns well with a model: of 12 Goals for Nutrition Education of 29 Goals for Physical Activity and Physical Education Goals for Other Wellness Activities of 11 of 19 Policies for School Meal Standard Policies for Competitive Foods and Beverages of 1 Policies for Celebrations and Rewards of 5 Policies for Fundraising of 5 or of 3 Policies for Food and Beverage Marketing\_\_\_\_of 8 Committee Membership of 6 Committee Leadership of 2 Areas that present an opportunity for revision: Implementation Plan \_\_\_\_ of 4 Recordkeeping of 8 Annual Notification of Policy \_\_\_\_\_ of 6 Triennial Assessment of 3 Revisions and Updating the Policy \_\_\_\_\_of 6 Community Involvement, Outreach, and Communications \_\_\_\_\_of 13 Additional District Goals \_\_\_\_\_ Additional District Policies and Standards \_\_\_\_\_

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