GRADE ELEVEN/TWELVE (ELECTIVE)

Elective physical education courses provide students with the opportunity to participate in physical activities for specific purposes. Students in elective physical education demonstrate the knowledge and understanding necessary to analyze movement performance in an activity of choice using scientific principles, and implement effective practice procedures for skillful performance in specialized movement forms. Students apply advanced movement-specific information so that they develop the ability to learn, self-assess, and improve movement skills independently. Options for offering specialized-movement courses can be configured by quarter, by semester, or on a full-year basis. Students should be offered the opportunity to self-select an activity throughout the course. Students will select areas of concentration to study.

Examples of activity choices:

- aerobics
- aquatics (swimming, kayaking, canoeing)
- cycling
- dance
- individual sports
- lifelong activities
- outdoor pursuits
- Pilates
- self-defense
- skating
- team sports
- weight management
- weight training/conditioning

Motor Skill Development

- 11/12.1 The student will study in-depth and demonstrate mastery of movement skills and patterns in at least one lifetime physical activity per nine-week period.
 - a) Demonstrate mastery in all basic skills and movement patterns required for the selected activity and the ability to use the skills with consistency in the appropriate setting.
 - b) Identify and apply appropriate skill practice and strategies of the selected activity at an advanced level.
 - c) Demonstrate advanced movement patterns in at least one self-selected movement or activity.
 - d) Demonstrate the ability to use combined movement skills and strategies in self-selected movement activities.
 - e) Analyze movement activities to identify component skills and movement patterns.
 - f) Conduct observations and skill analyses of others to improve skill performance.
 - g) Create practice and game plans for optimal performance of movement patterns in self-selected sport/activity from the perspective of a coach, personal trainer, athlete, or other sport-related role.
 - h) Select and apply appropriate practice procedures to learn skills and movement patterns in activities of personal interest.
 - i) Apply appropriate strategies during performance, including offensive and defensive strategies, game-specific situational strategies, and strategies for working more effectively with team members/partners.

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Skill mastery includes demonstration of all critical skill components and	In order to meet these standards, it is expected that
proficiency in the application of skills and strategies specific to selected	students will
activities. Lifetime activities depend upon activities offered to or selected by	• demonstrate mastery in all basic skills and
students. (11/12.1.a)	movement patterns (11/12.1.a);
	• identify and apply appropriate skill practice
Movement/motor learning progression includes analysis of current performance,	and strategies (11/12.1.b);
development of a personalized practice plan for improvement that includes	demonstrate advanced movement patterns
SMART goal setting, application of principles of movement and training, and	(11/12.1.c);
planning for amount of time and activities needed for practice, correction,	• demonstrate the ability to use combined

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practicing at a higher level, and reassessment. (11/12.1.b)	 movement skills and strategies (11/12.1.d); analyze movement activities to identify
Advanced movement patterns include consistency of skill demonstration and the	component skills and movement patterns
ability to adapt/react to changing/unpredictable game situations. (11/12.1.c)	(11/12.1.e.);
	• conduct observations and skill analyses of
Combination movements can involve all three of the non-locomotor, locomotor,	others to improve skill performance
and object control movements together. Pairing combined movement skills with	(11/12.1.f);
specific strategies creates a desired outcome in self-selected movement activities.	• create practice and game plans for optimal
(11/12.1.d)	performance of movement patterns from the
	perspective of a coach, personal trainer,
When analyzing movements, divide the movement performance into three	athlete, or other sport-related role
phases:	(11/12.1.g);
• Preparatory: movements that prepare, such as a backswing in golf or	select and apply appropriate practice
tennis.	procedures to learn skills and movement
• Execution:	patterns (11/12.1.h);
• Force-producing movements, such as the forward motion of the tennis	apply appropriate strategies during
forehand shot.	performance (11/12.1.i).
• Critical instant, the point of contact or release, such as the moment of	
contact in the tennis serve or the takeoff in the long jump.	Additional resources:
• Follow-through: body movements after the execution where the	SHAPE America National Standards and Grade-
movement slows down, such as the high leg lift after kicking a ball or the	Level Outcomes
golf club after the ball is struck.	OpenPhysed
• Movement skill phases may not all fit neatly into three phases, and	Health Smart Virginia
additional phases may be devised or added. (11/12.1.e, 11/12.1.f)	PE Central
Feedback is important to master advanced skills. Feedback is useful when it is	Dynamic PE ASAP

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focused on the goal of the skill and is specific, objective, and provided in terms	
understood by the recipient of the feedback. (11/12.1.f; also refer to 11/12.1.e)	
 Practice and game planning can vary based on the perspectives of the person making the plans. (11/12.1.g) Coach: impacts to planning may include preseason versus season, skills of all players and skills players need to develop, player injuries, conditions (facility and environmental/weather-related), individual and group/team skills and strategies, team building, teamwork and communication, and game-specific skills and strategies Personal trainer: focused on the personal health, fitness goals, and safety of individuals or small groups Athlete: focused on maintenance and improvement of personal skills; personal fitness goals. 	
Learning skills and movement patterns begins with accessing resources for the proper ways to perform the skills, such as a coach, teacher, or other professional (in person or through media). Engage in deliberate practice that focuses on the specific skills and application of the skills. Use video or professionals to analyze ongoing skill development. (11/12.1.h; also refer to 11/12.1.b)	
Game/activity-specific strategies and communication are dependent upon the selected activity. (11/12.1.i)	

Anatomical Basis of Movement

- 11/12.2 The student will apply knowledge of body systems and movement principles, and concepts that aid in the improvement of movement skills and performance to specialized movement forms.
 - a) Explain and apply biomechanical and physiological principles that aid in the improvement of skills and performance in specialized movement forms, including laws of motion, leverage, balance, weight transfer, speed, timing, accuracy, force, cardiac output, maximal oxygen consumption (VO2 max), energy systems (aerobic and anaerobic), heart rate (resting, target, and recovery), caloric cost of activity, muscle contraction, static versus dynamic flexibility, and muscular strength versus muscular endurance.
 - b) Analyze performance to identify physiological and biomechanical deficiencies including self-evaluation, peer evaluation, and teacher evaluation.
 - c) Explain the rules, safety protocols, relevant markings/lines for the field of play, offensive and defensive tactics, and common penalties and violations for selected activities.
 - d) Design, justify, and evaluate warm-up and cool-down sequences for selected activities.
 - e) Apply the FITT (frequency, intensity, time, and type of exercise) principle to improve skill performance.
 - f) Apply the specificity, overload, and progression (SOP) principle to the design and performance of a physical activity program to achieve physical benefits.
 - g) Analyze feedback about personal performance to improve skills including self-evaluation, peer evaluation, and teacher evaluation.

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Biomechanical and physiological principles that aid in the improvement of skills	In order to meet these standards, it is expected that
and performance include: (11/12.2.a)	students will
Newton's laws of motion	• explain and apply biomechanical and
• Inertia: An object at rest or in motion will stay in that state until acted	physiological principles that aid in the
upon by a force strong enough to change its state of motion.	improvement of skills and performance in
 Acceleration/momentum: Acceleration of an object is directly 	specialized movement forms, including the

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proportionate to the amount of force applied and moves in the	laws of motion, leverage, balance, weight
direction in which the force is applied.	transfer, speed, timing, accuracy, force,
• Action and reaction: For every action there is an equal and opposite	cardiac output, maximal oxygen
reaction.	consumption (VO2 max), energy systems
• Leverage: The bones of the body are levers as well as a stiff, straight	(aerobic and anaerobic), heart rate (resting,
object that can be used to lift weight, increase force, or create speed.	target, and recovery), caloric cost of activity,
• Balance: even distribution of weight that enables someone or something	muscle contraction, static versus dynamic
to remain upright while remaining stable and achieving equilibrium. The	flexibility, and muscular strength versus
ability to maintain the body's center of gravity within the limits of	muscular endurance (11/12.2.a);
stability as determined by the base of support.	analyze performance to identify
• Center of gravity is the point at which all of the body's mass and	physiological and biomechanical
weight are equally balanced or equally distributed in all directions (in	deficiencies, including self-evaluation, peer
the body it is slightly higher than the waist).	evaluation, and teacher evaluation
• An individual's limits of stability are the points outside the base of	(11/12.2.b);
support that they can go without losing control of the center of	• explain the rules, safety protocols, relevant
gravity.	markings/lines for the field of play, offensive
• Base of support: the surface supporting the body and points of contact	and defensive tactics, and common penalties
with that surface (when standing, the position of the feet on the	and violations for selected activities
ground).	(11/12.2.c);
\circ The lower the center of gravity to the base of support, the greater the	• design, justify, and evaluate warm-up and
stability.	cool-down sequences for selected activities
• The nearer the center of gravity to the center of the base of support,	(11/12.2.d);
the more stable the body.	• apply the FITT (frequency, intensity, time,
\circ Stability is increased with the number of points of contact (two feet	and type of exercise) principle to improve
versus one foot).	skill performance (11/12.2.e);
• Dynamic activities can also be described as those that cause the center	• apply the specificity, overload, and

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of gravity to move in response to muscular activity.	progression (SOP) principle to the design
• Weight transfer: weight is moved from one supporting foot or other body	and performance of a physical activity
part partially or fully to another foot or other body part, such as from the	program to achieve physical benefits
rear leg/foot in a golf backswing to the front left/foot in the	(11/12.2.f);
downswing/follow through.	analyze feedback about personal
• Speed: rate of motion; the ability to move swiftly.	performance to improve skills, including
• Timing: the ability to coincide movements in relation to external factors; a	self-evaluation, peer evaluation, and teacher
combination of decision-making, coordination, and reaction time which	evaluation. (11/12.2.g)
gets the player in the right place at the right time (TopEnd Sports and	
Science).	Additional resources:
• Accuracy: requires precision of movement with the critical elements of	SHAPE America National Standards and Grade-
skills, such as follow-through and aim in the desired direction when	Level Outcomes
throwing to a target; affected by the ability to use force as needed for an	OPEN Online Physical Education Network
intended target or outcome.	Health Smart Virginia
• Force: strength or energy exerted; force causes movement.	PE Central
• Cardiac output: the amount of blood the heart pumps in one minute;	Dynamic PE ASAP
dependent upon heart rate, contractility, preload, and afterload	KidsHealth.org
("Understanding Cardiac Output"; doi: 10.1186/cc6975).	
• Maximal oxygen consumption/uptake (VO2 max): measurement of the	
maximum amount of oxygen a person can use during exercise; used to	
establish aerobic endurance/cardiovascular fitness; the greater the VO2	
max, the more oxygen a person's body can consume and the more	
effectively the body can use that oxygen to generate the maximum	
amount of ATP energy (https://www.healthline.com/health/vo2-	
max#about-vo%E2%82%82-max).	
• Two respiration systems are used by the body for energy, and the systems	

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are	e dependent upon the duration of the activity.	
0	Anaerobic respiration system (ATP-PC and lactic acid system; works	
	without oxygen; adenosine triphosphate [ATP – energy carrying	
	molecule] and phosphocreatine [PC])	
	 To immediately meet the sudden higher energy demand, stored 	
	ATP is the first energy source. This lasts for approximately two seconds.	
	• The ATP-PC system can only last eight to 10 seconds before PC stores are depleted.	
	• The lactic acid system (anaerobic glycolysis) must then take over	
	as the predominant source of energy production; high-intensity	
	(but sub-maximal) exercise can last for between three and five	
	minutes using this system.	
	• If the exercise continues at a high intensity, oxygen is not	
	available at a fast enough rate to allow aerobic metabolism to take	
	over. The production of lactic acid will reach the point where it	
	interferes with muscular function; this is called the lactate	
	threshold.	
	 Muscles begin to fatigue when ATP resynthesis can no longer match demand. 	
0	Aerobic respiration system, aka aerobic glycolysis: breakdown of	
	carbohydrates to produce ATP; slow, uses carbohydrates or fat	
	(carbohydrates and fats are only burned in presence of oxygen); needs	
	oxygen to produce ATP; sustained energy; longer-duration, lower-	
	intensity after anaerobic systems have fatigued; long-term steady	
	paced exercise and day-to-day activities; produces large amounts of	

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	energy at the lowest intensity	
• H	eart rate (resting, target, and recovery)	
0	Resting heart rate: In general, resting heart rate is an indication of	
	efficient heart function and better cardiovascular fitness. A trained	
	athlete may have a resting heart rate closer to 40. It is best taken after	
	10 minutes of rest.	
0	Target heart rates: Active heart rate can be taken at multiple points	
	during an activity and include being taken immediately after stopping	
	the activity. It helps to determine appropriate intensity levels for	
	exercise. By keeping the target heart rate in check, a person can avoid	
	under- or over-training and is able to avoid overexertion. Exercise	
	programs may be characterized by the level of intensity or percentage	
	of maximal heart rate range (maximum heart rate is 220 minus a	
	person's age). (Target Heart Rate Zone information	
	[https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/fitness/fitness-basics/target-	
	heart-rates]) Some drugs and medications or medical conditions may	
	affect heart rate, resulting in having a lower maximum heart rate and	
	target zone. A healthcare provider should be consulted.	
0	Recovery heart rate: the decrease in heart rate that occurs one minute	
	after maximal exercise. Faster decreases in heart rate are associated	
	with individuals with higher levels of fitness.	
• Ca	aloric cost of activity: net energy consumed by an activity (various	
ch	arts available online, such as Harvard Health chart, for calories burned	
in	30 minutes of different activities for three different body weights).	
• T	ypes of muscle contractions	
0	Isometric: the length of the muscle does not change.	

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• Isotonic: the length of the muscle does change.	
• Eccentric: an isotonic contraction where the muscle lengthens.	
• Concentric: an isotonic contraction where the muscle shortens.	
• Muscular stretching: Be sure to raise the body's internal temperature	
through light physical activity before engaging in stretching activities.	
 Static: slow and constant with end position held; caution is exercised with proper technique. 	
• Dynamic: flexibility during sport-specific movements, such as a track	
sprinter performing long walking strides for a warmup; focus on hip extension.	
• Muscular strength: maximum force that muscles can exert in a single	
effort, including getting up out of a chair and lifting /moving heavy	
objects.	
• Muscular endurance: the ability to sustain or repeat muscular activity over	
time, including running, biking, and walking.	
Analyzing performance of self and others can indicate physiological and	
biomechanical deficiencies. Applying movement principles can aid in the	
improvement and performance of the chosen activity. (11/12.2.b; refer to	
11/12.1.e-f and 11/12.2.a-b)	
Rules, safety protocols, relevant markings/lines for the field of play, offensive	
and defensive tactics, and common penalties and violations are dependent upon	
the selected activities. (11/12.2.c)	
Proper and comprehensive warm-up and cool-down protocols are essential to	
short-term exercise performance, as well as long-term injury prevention and	

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general physical health. Warm-ups and cool-downs should include components	
that are aligned with the physical demands of the selected activity. (11/12.2.d)	
• Warm-up: pumps nutrient-rich, oxygenated blood to muscles as heart rate,	
breathing, and body temperature increases, preparing the body for activity.	
• Cool-down: gradually slows breathing and heart rate; gradual recovery of	
pre-exercise heart rate and blood pressure.	
FITT principle—frequency, intensity, time, and type of exercise—is a "formula"	
for planning physical activity/activities (i.e., how often to do the activities, how	
hard, and for how long to meet goals). (11/12.2.e)	
The principles of specificity, overload, and progression (SOP) are highly	
interconnected and are reciprocally dependent on each other. (11/12.2.f)	
• Specificity: desired adaption occurs in response to specific stress placed	
upon the body; exercise/activity needs to match desired outcome.	
• Overload: stress must be applied beyond that which the body is	
accustomed to; increase workload (added weight, time, intensity, and/or repetitions).	
• Progression: once the body has adapted to a level of stress, additional	
stress is needed; progressively or gradually increase workload.	
To improve skills, feedback about personal performance is an essential factor	
affecting motor skill development. Feedback has been defined as an action taken	
by an agent (e.g., teacher and student) to deliver information about one or more	
aspects of student performance ("The effects of feedback interventions on	

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performance: A historical review, a meta-analysis, and a preliminary feedback	
intervention theory," doi: 10.1037/0033-2909.119.2.254; "The power of	
feedback," doi: 10.3102/003465430298487). Use this feedback to guide and	
improve future performance by looking at the components of that performance	
and adjusting/modifying as needed. (11/12.2.g)	

Fitness Planning

- 11/12.3 The student will design, implement, and evaluate a personal fitness program for self, a college student, or an employee in a selected field of work.
 - a) Assess individual level of health-related fitness using a variety of appropriate measures (e.g., criterion-referenced wellness tests, FitnessGram) and technology (heart-rate monitors, pedometers, accelerometers, and bioelectrical impedance).
 - b) Evaluate and adjust activity levels to meet the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans.
 - c) Design and critique a personal fitness program, using available technology (e.g., electronic portfolios, tracking applications) and resources, to improve or maintain personal fitness levels in relation to the five components of fitness.
 - d) Explain the physical and mental (emotional, social) benefits of physical fitness for lifelong health and wellness.
 - e) Create personal fitness plans for a variety of situations (e.g., injury, aging) based on goals.
 - f) Identify and evaluate community resources for selected physical and/or lifetime activities, including recreation centers, local fitness centers, adult leagues, and other fitness clubs/groups.
 - g) Identify barriers to physical activity, including those related to time, motivation, or energy, skill confidence, fear of injury, resources, and social influences/peer pressure, and identify strategies to overcome these barriers.
 - h) Evaluate and apply scientific evidence to make critical decisions when purchasing fitness products and/or services.

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Criterion-referenced wellness tests emphasize a health criterion-health	In order to meet these standards, it is expected that
outcomes or health risks; scores/standards set by determining the point or level	students will
on which a fitness parameter is associated with an increased risk of a disease	• use criterion-referenced wellness tests and
outcome or risk factors of disease. (Norm-referenced tests compare students'	technology to assess their individual level of
performance to peers and emphasize peak performance; dependent on	health-related fitness (11/12.3.a);
population; https://www.cooperinstitute.org/vault/2440/web/files/785.pdf)	• evaluate and adjust activity levels
(11/12.3.a)	(11/12.3.b);
Health-related fitness measures using technology may include	• use assessment results to design and critique
• Heart rate monitors: Two types: wireless chest/arm straps that use an	a personal fitness program (11/12.3.c);
electrical pulse to read heart rate (tend to be more accurate) and wrist-	• explain the physical and mental (emotional,
based/headphones trackers that use optical technology (light). Both can	social) benefits of physical fitness
send continuous data to a monitor (watch/phone). Other heart rate	(11/12.3.d);
monitors and technology may be available.	• create fitness plans for a variety of
• Pedometers: track steps taken by indicating each time the wearer's hips	individuals or situations (11/12.3.e);
move. Some models can track foot movement via a GPS tracker or built-	• identify and evaluate community resources
in sensors on a phone.	for physical activities (11/12.3.f);
• Accelerometers: measure acceleration; able to capture intensity of	• identify barriers and strategies to overcome
physical activity; able to distinguish between walking and running; can	barriers to physical activity (11/12.3.g);
separate human movement from mechanical vibration, such as riding in a	• evaluate and apply scientific evidence to
car.	make critical decisions when purchasing
• Bioelectrical impedance analysis: A person places their hands on the	fitness products and/or services. (11/12.3.h)
electrodes of a device for about 20 seconds. It runs an imperceptible level	
of electrical current through the body. The flow of the current is affected	Additional resources:
by the amount of water in the body. The device measures how this signal	SHAPE America National Standards and Grade-
is impeded through different types of tissue. Tissues that contain large	Level Outcomes
amounts of fluid and electrolytes, such as blood, have high conductivity,	KidsHealth.gov

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but fat and bone slow the signal down. Because BIA determines the	Health Smart Virginia
resistance to flow of the current as it passes through the body, it provides	MyPlate.gov
estimates of body water from which body fat is calculated using selected	OpenPhysed
equations.	Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2nd
Physical activity guidelines – 60 minutes per day; weekly: 150 minutes of	ed.
moderate-intensity aerobic activity, 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity aerobic	Healthy Children.org
activity, or an equivalent mix of the two each week. (CDC) (11/12.3.b)	
Health-related fitness components provide information about a person's overall	
physical health. (11/12.3.c)	
• Health-related fitness components include cardiorespiratory endurance,	
flexibility, muscular strength and endurance, and body composition.	
Personal fitness planning includes	
 assessing and analyzing personal fitness levels 	
 setting SMART goals for improvement and/or maintenance 	
 creating strategies to achieve goals and monitor progress 	
 applying FITT and SOP principles 	
 making timelines to achieve goals 	
\circ plan for reassessing, evaluating, and reflecting on progress of goals	
 revising plan strategies as needed. 	
Regular exercise helps control blood pressure, body weight, and cholesterol	
levels; decreases the risk for hardening of the arteries, heart attack, stroke,	
arthritis, and diabetes; improves digestion, helps to manage stress, aids in better	
sleep and is good for managing low-back pain. Anyone can be at risk for chronic	

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Successful planning for lifelong physical activity includes identifying barriers and developing strategies to overcome barriers, such as time (using time management skills, sticking to a routine), motivation (having goals, having an exercise partner), energy (making appropriate nutrition choices), skill confidence (time for practice, access to a trainer/coach), fear of injury (using appropriate equipment, addressing safety, staying fit), resources (planning in advance, being innovative), and social influences/peer pressure (being goal oriented, perseverance, planning time). (11/12.3.g)	
 Becoming an informed consumer of fitness products and services is essential for health and safety in a market where there are many fitness claims available to consumers. Fitness products can include equipment, technology, performance clothing, consumables, supplements, or creams. Fitness services can include personal trainers, diet plans, classes, gym memberships etc. Informed fitness consumers should consider the following: Personal goals: level of commitment Lifestyle habits: time and space Advertising claims and discrepancies Alignment between fitness product and personal goals Financial costs and effects 	

Social and Emotional Development

- 11/12.4 The student will evaluate and implement a safe environment for skill practice and play and demonstrate social competency skills for lifetime activity participation.
 - a) Evaluate, create, and implement a growth mindset plan for increasing self-efficacy.
 - b) Demonstrate appropriate etiquette as a participant and spectator in physical activity/sport.
 - c) Demonstrate proper care of athletic/activity equipment.
 - d) Demonstrate safe behavior when participating in or watching physical activity/sport.
 - e) Explain and demonstrate leadership skills of critical thinking, creative thinking, communication, collaboration, and citizenship skills.
 - f) Demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively to accomplish a group goal.
 - g) Advocate for a rule change or modification in a sport or activity to facilitate safety or the inclusion of individuals from the point of view of an athlete, coach, parent, or referee.
 - h) Demonstrate respect for differences among people in physical activity settings.
 - i) Develop and demonstrate strategies for inclusion of persons of diverse backgrounds and identify personal, cultural, and linguistic assets in setting collective goals.
 - j) Identify ways that physical activities can provide positive social interaction, such as the benefits of team involvement and an individual's role as a positive member of a group.
 - k) Create and implement a strategy to promote peer involvement in physical activity, such as a social-networking campaign or a video.
 - 1) Describe and demonstrate behaviors that support an inclusive environment, where a sense of belonging, acceptance, and value is available to all students.

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Growth mindset is the underlying belief you have about learning and	In order to meet these standards, it is expected that
intelligence. If you believe you can get smarter, more effort is put into	students will
achievement. To improve, use prompts such as, "I can learn to do anything I	• evaluate, create, and implement a growth

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want," "Challenges help me to grow," and "My effort and my attitude	mindset plan for increasing self-efficacy
determine my abilities." (11/12.4.a)	(11/12.4.a);
	demonstrate appropriate etiquette
Etiquette refers to unwritten rules or customs and requires key virtues such as	(11/12.4.b);
respect, responsibility, integrity, and fairness (e.g., shaking hands/giving high	demonstrate proper care of athletic/activity
fives/congratulating the other team at the end of a game, speaking respectfully as	equipment (11/12.4.c);
a spectator). (11/12.4.b)	demonstrate safe behavior when
	participating in or watching physical
Proper care of athletic/activity equipment should include appropriate use and	activity/sport (11/12.4.d);
cleaning per manufacturers' instructions. (11/12.4.c)	• explain and demonstrate leadership skills
	(11/12.4.e);
Safe behavior when participating in or watching physical activity/sport helps to	demonstrate the ability to work
ensure the safety of everyone. (11/12.4.d)	cooperatively to accomplish a group goal
	(11/12.4.f);
Leadership skills include:	• advocate for a rule change or modification
Problem-solving skills	in a sport or activity (11/12.4.g);
• Identify the problem.	demonstrate respect for differences among
• Analyze the problem.	people (11/12.4.h);
 Generate potential solutions. 	develop and demonstrate strategies for
• Select and plan the solution.	inclusion of persons of diverse
• Implement the solution.	backgrounds and abilities and identify
Communication skills/strategies	individual assets in setting collective goals
• Verbal: sharing of information/relaying a message between two or	(11/12.4.i);
more people that uses sounds, signs and/or language; oral or written;	• identify ways that physical activities can
spoken word; face-to-face or electronically.	provide positive social interaction
 Nonverbal: sending and receiving wordless messages; body 	(11/12.4.j);

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Inclusion: the action or state of including or of being included within a group or structure. Advocating for modifications or rule adjustments can be incorporated into physical activity opportunities. (11/12.4.g)	
 Ways to respect people who are different from us: Try to learn something from the other person. Show interest and appreciation for other people's cultures and backgrounds. Don't insult people, tease them, or make fun of them. Listen to others when they speak. Be considerate of people's likes and dislikes. Don't talk about people behind their backs. Be sensitive to other people's feelings. (Adapted from Elkind+Sweet Communications/Live Wire Media) (11/12.4.h) 	
Creating an inclusive culture for physical education and physical activity helps every student learn to lead a healthy and active lifestyle (CDC). Strategies for inclusion may include modifying/adapting the equipment, rules, environment, or activity; creating a welcoming/inclusive environment, one that supports and uplifts everyone; and providing meaningful learning and participatory experiences. (11/12.4.i)	
Physical activities can provide positive social interaction by meeting new people, engaging in similar interests with others, and experiencing teamwork and	

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cooperation. Team involvement helps to develop self-esteem, self-confidence,	
competence, caring, character, connections, and skills including communication	
and relationship building. (11/12.4.j)	
Strategies to promote peer involvement in physical activity may include low-/no- cost activities, where to access activities, providing competitive and non- competitive activities, and differentiating activities for a variety of abilities. (11/12.4.k)	
A supportive, inclusive environment includes access to learning and the curriculum with the best approach to ensure learning physically, socially, and emotionally. This could include speed of play, differentiated instruction, autonomy-supported instruction, demonstrations, use of tools/modified equipment, peer-partner opportunities, etc. (11/12.4.l)	

Energy Balance

- 11/12.5 The student will explain the importance of energy balance and demonstrate understanding of the nutritional needs of the body to maintain optimal health and prevent chronic disease for a lifetime.
 - a) Analyze the relationships among physical activity, nutrition, body composition, and sleep that are optimal for personal health and/or for participation in a self-selected physical activity.
 - b) Analyze current and future nutritional and physical activity needs in relation to changes in growth/aging.
 - c) Explain the benefits of nutrient-dense, low-sodium foods versus high-calorie, empty calorie, and high-sodium foods.
 - d) Analyze current and future sleep needs for positively influencing academic, career success, and mental health.
 - e) Apply rate of perceived exertion and pacing to a conditioning plan that meets the needs of a self-selected physical activity.
 - f) Explain energy balance in terms of caloric intake and expenditure in relation to changing lifestyle needs from adolescence to adulthood.
 - g) Compare caloric expenditure while sitting and standing.

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Each person may have different needs for calories and exercise. A healthy	In order to meet these standards, it is expected that
lifestyle requires balancing the foods you eat, beverages you drink, adequate	students will
sleep, stress management, and the amount of activity in your daily routine.	• analyze the relationships among physical
(CDC) (11/12.5.a)	activity, nutrition, body composition, and
• Regular exercise helps control blood pressure, body weight, and	sleep (11/12.5.a);
cholesterol levels; decreases the risk for hardening of the arteries, heart	• analyze current and future nutritional and
attack, stroke, arthritis, and diabetes; improves digestion, helps to manage	physical activity needs in relation to
stress, aids in better sleep, and is good for managing low-back pain.	changes in growth/aging (11/12.5.b);
• A healthy eating plan emphasizes fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and fat-	• explain the benefits of nutrient-dense, low-
free or low-fat milk and milk products; includes lean meats, poultry, fish,	sodium foods versus high-calorie, empty
beans, eggs, and nuts; is low in saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, salt	calorie, and high-sodium foods (11/12.5.c);
(sodium), and added sugars; and stays within daily calorie needs.	• analyze current and future sleep needs

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 Body composition: A high amount of body fat can lead to weight-related diseases and other health issues. Being underweight is also a health risk. Sleep is a powerful regulator of appetite, energy use, and weight control. Sleep deprivation can inhibit one's ability to lose weight even while exercising and eating well. Physical activity guidelines (https://health.gov/our-work/physical- 	 (11/12.5.d); apply rate of perceived exertion and pacing to a conditioning plan (11/12.5.e); explain energy balance in relation to changing lifestyle needs from adolescence to adulthood (11/12.5.f); compare caloric expenditure while sitting
 activity/current-guidelines) (11/12.5.b) Ages 6-17: moderate- and vigorous-intensity physical activity for periods of time that add up to 60 minutes (one hour) or more each day. This activity should include aerobic activity as well as age-appropriate muscle-and bone-strengthening activities. Adults: 150-300 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic physical activity each week; muscle-strengthening activities also provide health benefits and are an important part of an adult's overall physical activity plan. Expenditure and intake needs vary with age and physical activity levels. Refer to Dietary Guidelines for Americans (https://www.dietaryguidelines.gov/) for adolescent and adult guidelines for caloric expenditure and intake. Also see the DRI Calculator for Healthcare Professionals tool that calculates daily nutrient recommendations based on the Dietary Reference Intakes (DRIs) established by the Health and Medicine Division of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. The data represents the most current scientific knowledge on nutrient needs; however, individual requirements may be higher or lower than DRI recommendations (https://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/dricalculator/index.php). (11/12.5.b) 	and standing. (11/12.5.g) Additional resources: OpenPhysed Health Smart Virginia PE Central KidsHealth.gov MyPlate.gov Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2nd ed. American Heart Association

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 Nutrient-dense foods are high in nutrients but relatively low in calories. (11/12.5.c) Nutrient-dense foods contain vitamins, minerals, complex carbohydrates, lean protein, and healthy fats. 	
 Examples of nutrient-dense foods include fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat or fat-free milk products, seafood, lean meats, eggs, peas, beans, and nuts. Vegetables, fruits, and grains offer important vitamins and minerals to keep the body healthy. Most of these foods have little fat. They also have no cholesterol. Fruits, vegetables, and grains are also a source of fiber, and eating more fiber may lower cholesterol and blood sugar. 	
 Guidelines for sleep: Teens 13-18 should get eight to 10 hours per 24 hours of sleep; adults 18-60 should get seven or more hours per night. (CDC) (11/12.5.d) Stimulants like coffee and energy drinks, alarm clocks, and external lights (including those from electronic devices) interfere with our "circadian rhythm," or natural sleep/wake cycle. A good night's sleep improves learning. Sleep is involved in healing and repair of heart and blood vessels. Adequate sleep reduces heart rate and blood pressure and helps a person function productively/safely throughout the day. People who are sleep deficient are less productive at work/school. They take longer to finish tasks, have a slower reaction time and make more mistakes. Consult a primary care physician or a sleep professional to determine the underlying cause if experiencing symptoms such as 	

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sleepiness during the day or when you expect to be awake and alert,	
snoring, leg cramps or tingling, gasping or difficulty breathing during	
sleep, prolonged insomnia, or another symptom that is preventing you	
from sleeping well.	
Pacing is needed to avoid fatigue before the end of an activity (e.g., jogging three	
miles); strategy by which effort is managed during exercise based on a goal and	
demands of the task; time per distance. Pacing strategies may include time, heart	
rate, and level of intensity/using a RPE scale. (11/12.5.e)	
• Perceived exertion is how hard a person feels like their body is working.	
Rate of perceived exertion (RPE) is a way of measuring physical activity	
intensity level. Scales may range from five to 20 levels. Example	
(variation of Borg scale):	
• Level 1 – Very light activity (seated)	
\circ Level 2 – Light activity (can maintain for hours, easy to breathe,	
walking)	
 Level 3 – Moderate activity (breathing heavily, somewhat 	
comfortable; skipping, galloping)	
• Level 4 – Vigorous activity (borderline uncomfortable, short of	
breath; jogging/running)	
• Level 5 – Very hard activity (difficult to maintain exercise intensity,	
barely breathe, running/sprinting)	
• Level 6 – Max effort activity (almost impossible to keep going, out of	
breath, sprinting)	
Energy expenditure is the sum of the basal metabolic rate (BMR, the amount of	
energy expended while at complete rest), the thermic effect of food (TEF, the	

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energy required to digest and absorb food), and the energy expended in physical activity. (11/12.5.f-g)	
 Energy is needed to keep the heart beating and organs functioning, maintenance of body temperature, muscle contraction, and growth. An average adult will use around 1.1 calories (kcal) each minute just maintaining these functions. BMR differs from one person to the next, both within a population and between population groups. Infants and young children tend to have a proportionately high BMR for their size due to their rapid growth and development. Men usually have a higher BMR than women because they tend to 	
 have more muscle. Older adults usually have a lower BMR than younger people because their muscle mass tends to decrease with age. The BMR accounts on average for about three-quarters of an individual's energy needs. See 11/12.5.c. 	
While staying active is the best way to burn calories, you may be able to improve your health by simply spending more time standing than sitting each day. (11/12.5.g)	
 Standing burns more calories than sitting ("What to Know About Standing to Burn Calories." Standing has less possible health risks compared to sitting all day each day. While this may not help you lose a significant amount of weight, it can certainly help you maintain your current weight and reduce certain health 	

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risks.	