

Local School Wellness Policy: Triennial Assessment 2024

School Division: New Kent County Public Schools

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Wellness Policy can be found at: Student Wellness Policy

Triennial Assessment can be found at: <u>School Nutrition Website</u>

Every three years the divisions must conduct an assessment of the Local School Wellness Policy and make it available to the public. That assessment must address:

- compliance with the division Local School Wellness Policy,
- how the policy compares to the model Wellness Policy, and
- progress made in attaining the goals of the Wellness Policy.

<u>Virginia Department of Education, Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs (VDOE-SCNP) website</u> provides the division with tools and resources to help in completing this Triennial Assessment.

Wellness Policy Requirements

Category	Requirement	Fully in place	Partially in place	Not in place	Action Taken Toward Goals
Policy Leadership	Designate the position or committee responsible for Wellness Policy oversight.				Our SHAB reviewed the model policy and the NKCPS policy and provided feedback.
Public Involvement	Notify the public of their ability to participate in the development, implementation, and review.				Goal Met: NKCPS will Enhance public involvement through the Division's website, create a feedback link through the Nutrition/Wellness site.
School Meals	Serve school meals that follow USDA-FNS meal regulations. (7CFR210.10 and 7CFR220.8)				Goal Met
Foods Sold Outside of School Meals Program	Sell only USDA's Smart Snacks compliant foods and beverages outside of the school meals program.				Goal met. SHAB suggests reviewing what is being provided in the vending machines at the High School and assure only Smart Snacks are being provided.
Foods Provided, Not Sold	Specify division guidelines for foods provided, not sold, including at celebrations, given as rewards, or classroom snacks.				Included in Policy. SHAB recommends Incorporating talking points on wellness policy during administrator meetings and potentially offering a list of non-food

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					items or school cafeteria food items to be used for celebrations.
Food and Beverage Marketing	Market only products that adhere to the USDA-FNS Smart Snacks rule.				Goal Met.
Nutrition Education	The New Kent County School District aims to teach, encourage, and support healthy eating by students. Schools should provide nutrition education and engage in nutrition promotion that: is offered at most grade levels as part of a sequential, comprehensive, standards- based program designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to promote and protect their health.				Goal Met.

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Nutrition Promotion	The New Kent County School District aims to teach, encourage, and support healthy eating by students. Schools should provide nutrition education and engage in nutrition promotion that: promotes fruits, vegetables, whole grain products, low-fat and fat free dairy products, healthy food preparation methods, and health- enhancing nutrition practices.				Goal Met.
Physical Education/Activity	For students to receive the nationally-recommended amount of daily physical activity (<i>i.e.</i> , at least 60 minutes per day) and for students to fully embrace regular physical activity as a personal behavior, students need opportunities for physical activity beyond physical education class. Toward that end: classroom health education will				Goal Met.

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	complement physical			-	
	education by reinforcing the				
	knowledge and self-				
	management skills needed to				
	maintain a physically active				
	lifestyle and to reduce time				
	spent on sedentary activities,				
	such as watching television;				
	opportunities for physical				
	activity will be incorporated				
	into other subject lessons;				
	and classroom teachers will				
	provide opportunities for				
	short physical activity breaks				
	between classes or lessons as				
	appropriate.				
Other Activities that	School spaces and				Goal Met.
Promote Student	facilities should be				
Wellness	available to students, staff,				
	and community members				
	before, during, and after				
	the school day, on	\boxtimes			
	weekends, and during				
	school vacations as				
	permitted in accordance				
	with the				
	Facility Request form.				
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Compliant	Permit only USDA-FNS				Goal met
Fundraisers	Smart Snacks compliant				
	food and beverage				
	fundraisers. LEAs may				
	choose to allow up to 30	\boxtimes			
	school-sponsored				
	fundraisers per site per				
	school day to be exempt				
	from the Smart Snacks.				
Fundraiser Times	Disallow food or beverage				Goal met
	fundraisers during				
	mealtimes.	\boxtimes			
Fundraiser Designee	Designate an individual to				Goal Met.
	monitor all food and				
	beverage fundraisers. This	\boxtimes			
	designee shall not be school				
	nutrition personnel.				

Additional Notes:

Compliance with the division Local School Wellness Policy

After review of NKCPS local Wellness Policy it is the belief of the district as well as the SHAB that we are meeting our Wellness goals as established. There was a general agreement that the item regarding Food Provided, Not Sold, specifically with regards to classroom celebrations, is an item to focus on for improvement.

How does your policy compare to the model policy?

NKCPS Wellness policy was initially established based on model policy.

Note progress made towards wellness goals

NKCPS as well as the SHAB will continue to review and monitor progress toward the goals as outlined. Our SHAB has not been active in several years and was only recently established and will be reviewing the Wellness Policy again this October 2024 to see if there are additional areas for consideration or clarification. Portions of the Wellness Policy will be incorporated in future Building Administrator meetings for reinforcement and review.

