

Facts, Statistics & Tips



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Resources

Action For Healthy Kids

www.actionforhealthykids.org

California Project Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition (LEAN): School Wellness Policy Tool

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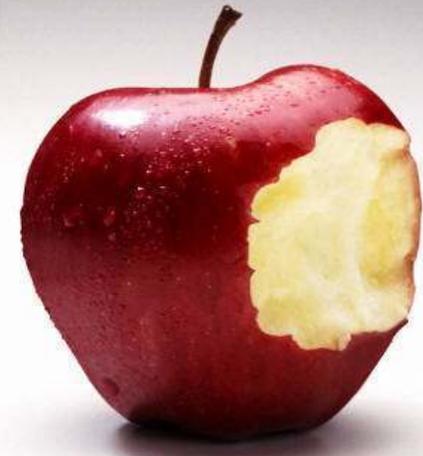
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Team Nutrition: Local Wellness Policy

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Encinitas Union School District Wellness Policy



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Why?

In 2004, Congress passed a law requiring every school district that uses federal dollars for school breakfast or lunch to create a local wellness policy by the start of the 2006-2007 school year.

The Encinitas Union School District's local wellness policy applies to every school in the district. The policy will assist schools in improving the health of students by promoting physical activity and nutritious food.

The Encinitas Union School District is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness, proper nutrition, nutrition education and regular physical activity as part of the total learning experience.

The Encinitas Union School District plays a critical role in curbing the epidemic of childhood overweight and obesity.



Physical
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What?

The Encinitas Union School District wellness policy sets rules for:

Physical Activity

EUSD's Policy states:

- Classroom health education will compliment physical education.
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- Classroom teachers will provide short physical activity breaks between lessons or classes.

Nutrition Education

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- Is offered at each grade level as part of a sequential, comprehensive, standards-based program.
- Includes training for teachers and staff
- Is part of not only health education classes, but also connects to core curriculum subjects.
- Promotes fruits, veggies and whole grain products.

Nutrition Guidelines for Food Served or Sold on School Campus

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- Breads and buns have been replaced with healthier whole wheat items.
- Chicken patties are now grilled instead of breaded.
- Pizza is now homemade with a blend of whole milk and low-fat mozzarella cheeses. Pizza sauce is made with less sugar and sodium. Dough is made with 10% whole wheat flour!
- Recess before lunch has been implemented at 5 schools with plans to expand district wide.
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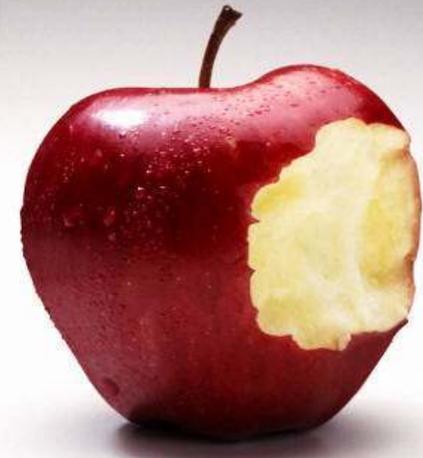
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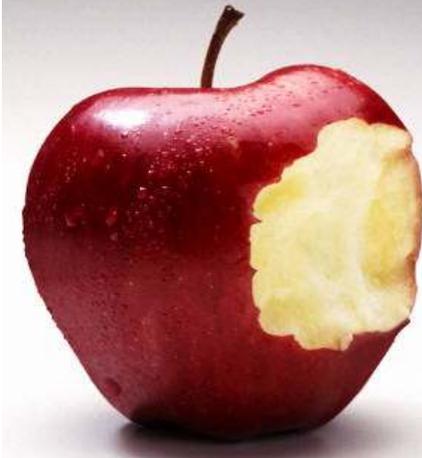
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