

September 2024

Elementary Health & Physical Education Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Calm Corner Create a stress free space in your home where you can relax and unwind whenever you are feeling anxious.	2 Mindful Minute Before you begin an activity, take 60 seconds to clear your mind & only focus on your breathing. If your mind starts to wander, bring your mind back to your breathing.	3 Turbo Start Start your day early, drink a glass of water to help wake up your body, & do a quick morning stretch or dance to boost your energy!	4 Chalk Your Walk Grab some sidewalk chalk and a friend, and create some art, play hopscotch, and soak up that sunshine!	5 Give Back Volunteer to pick up litter at a local park or in your neighborhood!	6 Plank Up! Hold a plank for 30 seconds, then 45 seconds, and then 1 minute, resting for the same amount of time after each plank.	7 National Play Outside Day Today, make sure you are outside more than you watch TV today!
8 Family Night Have a family night with board games, card games, or do puzzles together to stimulate their minds tonight!	9 Mindfulness Jar Create a positive mindfulness jar. Every time you have a positive thought that stands out to you, write it down & put it in the jar!	10 Make a Plan! Going back to school from Summer can be TOUGH! Today, make a plan to do your favorite physical activity you did this summer for 30 minutes after school.	11 Energy Burst While watching TV, take an energy burst during the commercials by completing 2 sets of 10 reps of your choice of exercise (i.e., jumping jacks, pushups, crunches, jump squats).	12 Walker Race Pick a distance and challenge a friend to a speed walking race. No running!	13 Bridge Pose Hold the bridge pose for 10 seconds. Repeat 10 more times!	14. Throw to a Target! Create a target and use a rolled-up sock. Move back if you make it; step forward if you miss. How far can you get away from the target?
15 Triangle Pose Hold the triangle pose for 30 seconds on each side! Repeat 4 times!	16 Mindful Writing Before sleep, spend a few minutes writing about your experiences, thoughts, and feelings. Try to list 5 things you are grateful for from today!	17 Turbo Speed Let's test your speed! How many times can you run back & forth from your front door to your mailbox in 2 minutes?	18 Jump for Joy Turn on your favorite song to dance to, but instead of dancing, try to jump rope or invisible jump rope to it the whole time!	19 Spread Kindness Draw a cheerful picture and leave it on a neighbor or friend's doorstep.	20 Your Choice! Choose an activity that you like that makes your heart beat fast and do it for 5 minutes or more	21 Coin Flip Flip a coin 10 times: Every time it lands on Heads = 10 Curl ups Tails = 10 Jumping jacks
22 Just Because Spread some joy today by phone, text, email, or in person. No reason. Just because:-)	23 Mindful Affirmations Be kind to yourself! Look at yourself in the mirror & state 5 positive things you like about yourself!	24 Balancing Act Stand on 1 foot for as long as possible. Switch feet. How long can you balance? Challenge: Close your eyes!	25 Mindful Minute Before you begin an activity, take 60 seconds to clear your mind & only focus on your breathing. If your mind starts to wander, bring your mind back to your breathing.	26 Thank You's Write a thank-you card to a local librarian or community worker.	27 Dancer Pose Hold the dancer pose for 20 seconds on each side! Repeat 4 times!	28 Obstacle Course Create an obstacle course with a family member or a friend, & time how fast you both can complete it!
29 Fun & Nutritious! Grab some cookie cutters of different shapes, and use them to make shapes with your healthy snack!	30 Mindful Senses Go outside, sit in a quiet space, & using all of your 5 senses, take a few minutes to notice what you can see, hear, touch, taste, and smell.	National Health Observances: National Courtesy Month National Self-Care Awareness Month National Suicide Prevention Month Fruit and Veggies – More Matters Month National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month National Yoga Awareness Month		SHAPE America recommends school-age children accumulate at least 60 minutes and up to several hours of physical activity per day. Each bout of physical activity should be followed by cool-down stretches that help reduce soreness and avoid injury.		