

## Wellness Policy on Physical Activity and Nutrition

The Board of School Trustees of the Mill Creek Community School Corporation supports the health and well-being of the school corporation's students by promoting nutrition and physical activity at all grade levels.

In accordance with federal law, it is the policy of the Board to provide students access to healthy foods and beverages; provide opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity; and require that all meals served by the school corporation meet or exceed the federal nutritional guidelines issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. A Coordinated School Health Advisory Council will be formed and maintained to oversee these activities.

The School Wellness Policy shall be made available to students and families by means of school registration, the student handbook and the corporation's website.

### I. Coordinated School Health Advisory Council

The board will engage students, parents/guardians, teachers, food service professionals, health professionals and other interested community members in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing corporation-wide nutrition and physical activity policies. A Coordinated School Health Advisory Council will be formed and maintained at the corporation level to oversee the development, implementation and evaluation of the school corporation's wellness policy.

A. In accordance with state law, the school corporation will form and maintain a corporation level Coordinated School Health Advisory Council that includes at least the following:

- Parents/Guardians
- Food service director and/or staff
- Teachers of Physical Education
- Students
- Health care professionals/Registered dietitians/School Nurse
- School board members
- School administrators
- Any interested member of the public
- Representatives of interested community organizations

Other potential members of the Council include teachers, teaching assistants, SNAP-Ed educators, and community representatives such as recreation professionals, city planners, industry professionals and voluntary service workers.

B. The Advisory Council shall meet annually to review nutrition and physical activity policies and to develop an action plan for the coming year. The Council shall meet as needed during the school year to discuss implementation activities and address barriers and challenges.

C. The Advisory Council shall report at least once every three years to the School Board on the implementation of the wellness policy and include any recommended changes or revisions.

D. The School Board will adopt or revise nutrition and physical activity policies based on recommendations made by the Advisory Council.

## **II. Nutrition Education and Promotion**

Nutrition topics shall be integrated within the comprehensive health education curriculum and taught at every grade level (K-12) according to standards of the Indiana Department of Education. Schools will link nutrition education activities with existing coordinated school health programs or other comparable comprehensive school health promotion frameworks.

## **III. Standards for USDA Child Nutrition Programs and School Meals**

The board will provide and promote the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs to ensure that all students have access to healthy foods to support healthier choices and promote optimal learning.

## **IV. Nutrition Standards for Competitive and Other Foods and Beverages**

- A. The Board will provide and allow foods and beverages that support proper nutrition, promote healthy choices, and comply with federal nutrition standards in vending machines, school stores and concession stands. This also includes food and beverages made available in schools during the school day for such events as school fundraisers and food and beverages brought into the schools by students or other person for such events as birthdays and classroom celebrations. (A Guide to Smart Snacks in School, 2018-19)  
Fundraisers selling food items that do not meet the federal nutrition standards are limited to two such fundraisers per school building per year.
- B. The Board will allow marketing in school buildings and on school grounds during the school day for only those food and beverages provided by the school that meet the federal nutrition standards. Marketing that promotes student health will be permitted in school buildings and on school grounds.

## **V. Physical Activity and Physical Education**

The board supports the health and well-being of students by promoting physical activity through physical education, recess and other physical activity breaks; before- and after-school activities; and walking and bicycling to school. Additionally, the board supports physical activity among elementary students by providing them with at least 20 of the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity per day.

## **VI. Other Activities that Promote Student Wellness**

The board supports the health and well-being of our students and staff by creating and promoting policy and environmental supports to provide physical activity and healthy eating opportunities.

## **VII. Evaluation**

Through implementation and enforcement of this policy, the corporation will create an environment that supports opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating behaviors. To ensure continuing progress, the corporation will evaluate implementation efforts and their impact on students and staff at least every three years. The board will notify the public of the results of the three-year assessment and evaluation. Policy language will be assessed and revised as needed.

The board designates the superintendent to ensure compliance with this policy and its administrative regulations. The superintendent is responsible for retaining all documentation of compliance with this policy and its regulations, including but not limited to each school's three-year assessment and evaluation report and this wellness policy and plan. The superintendent will also be responsible for public notification of the three-year assessment and evaluation report, including any updates to this policy made as a result of the corporation's three-year assessment and evaluation.

LEGAL REFERENCE: 42 U.S.C. 1758b  
7CFR Part 210  
I.C. 20-26-9-18.5

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## Administrative Regulations:

### **I. Nutrition education and Nutrition Promotion**

1. Health education will be provided as part of a comprehensive health education program and taught by a licensed educator.
2. The school corporation will provide nutrition education training opportunities to teachers and staff for all grade levels.
3. Nutrition promotion will include lessons that cover topics such as how to read and use food labels, choosing healthy options and portion control.
4. School staff will collaborate with community groups and organizations to provide opportunities for student projects related to nutrition (e.g., cultivating school gardens, reading food labels and maintaining a caloric balance between food intake and physical activity/exercise).
5. Nutrition promotion resources will be provided to parents/guardians through handouts, website links, school newsletters, presentations and any other appropriate means available to reach parents/guardians.
6. Nutrition educators will partner with school staff of the school food service program to use the cafeteria as a learning lab. Healthy items, such as salads and fruits, will be displayed prominently in cafeterias to make healthier choices more appealing.
7. Nutrition labels will be provided on all foods to allow students to easily identify healthier foods.
8. Foods of minimal nutritional value, including brands and illustrations, shall not be advertised or marketed in educational materials.

### **II. Standards for USDA Child Nutrition Programs and School Meals**

#### **A. School Meal Content**

1. Meals served through the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs will:
  - Be appealing and appetizing to children;
  - Meet, at a minimum, the nutrition and meal pattern requirements established by the USDA for federally funded programs;
  - Contain 0 percent trans fats;
  - Offer a variety of fruits and vegetables;
  - 100 percent of the grains offered are whole grain-rich.
2. All cooked foods will be baked or steamed. Proper procurement procedures and preparation methods will be used to decrease excess fat, calorie and sodium levels in food.
3. Schools are encouraged to purchase or obtain fresh fruits and vegetables from local farmers when practical.
4. Students will have the opportunity to provide input on local, cultural and ethnic favorites.
5. The food services department shall provide periodic food promotions that will allow for taste testing of new healthier foods being introduced on the menu.
6. Special dietary needs of students will be considered when planning meals, according to the document *Accommodating Children with Special Dietary Needs in the School Nutrition Programs*.
7. The food services department will share and publicize information about the nutritional content of meals with students and parents/guardians. The information will be available in a variety of forms that can include handouts, the school website, articles, school newsletters, presentations that focus on nutrition and healthy lifestyles, and through any other appropriate means available to reach families.

#### **B. School Meal Participation**

1. To the extent possible, schools will provide the USDA School Breakfast Program to all students.
2. To the extent possible, schools will utilize methods to serve school breakfasts that encourage participation, including serving breakfast in the classroom, serving "grab-and-go" breakfasts and arranging transportation schedules to allow for earlier arrival times.
3. Schools will inform families of the availability and location of Summer Food Service Program meals, in accordance with the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Schools in which more than 50 percent of students are eligible for free or reduced-priced school meals will sponsor the Summer Food Service Program when feasible.
4. Schools will provide the After School Meal Program, when it becomes available, in accordance with the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.

#### **C. Mealtimes and Scheduling**

1. Adequate time will be provided to students to eat lunch (at least 20 minutes after being served) and breakfast (at least 10 minutes after being served).
2. To the extent possible, Elementary schools will schedule recess before lunch.
3. School meals will be served in clean and pleasant settings.
4. Students will have convenient access to hand-washing and sanitizing stations.
5. Potable (drinking) water must be readily available at all mealtimes.
6. Appropriate supervision will be provided in the cafeteria and rules for safe behavior shall be consistently enforced.

#### **D. Professional Development**

1. Professional development and training will be provided at least annually to food service managers and staff on proper food handling techniques and healthy cooking practices.

### **III. Nutrition Standards for Competitive and Other Food and Beverages**

#### **A. Approved Nutrition Standards, based on the nutrition standards of the Institute of Medicine (2007).**

1. K-12 à la carte, school vending machines accessible during the school day and other foods outside of school meals shall be limited to:
  - No more than 30 percent of total calories from fat,
  - Less than 10 percent of total calories from saturated fats,
  - 0 percent trans fats,
  - No more than 35 percent of calories from total sugars
  - No more than 200 milligrams of sodium per portion as packaged,
  - No more than 200 calories per package, and
  - 100 percent of the grains offered are whole grain-rich.
2. K-12 à la carte, school vending machines accessible during the school day and other beverages outside of school meals shall be limited to:
  - Water without flavoring, additives, or carbonation,
  - Low-fat and nonfat milk (in 8- to 12-ounce portions),
  - 100% fruit juice in 4-ounce portions as packaged for elementary/middle school and 8 ounces (2 portions) for high school, and
  - All calorie free beverages other than water, milk or juice shall be no larger than 20 ounces.

#### B. Availability

1. In accordance with Indiana Code 20-26-9-19, a vending machine at an elementary school that dispenses food or beverage items may not be accessible to students.
2. Vending machines accessible during the school day in middle and high schools:
  - Will contain items that meet the approved nutrition standards.
  - Will not be available during mealtimes.
3. Vending machines for school staff will not be accessible to students.
4. Food and beverages will not be sold in school stores.
5. Students and staff will have free, potable (drinking) water for consumption available in water fountains throughout the school building.
6. Staff vending machines will contain at least 50 percent healthy choices as outlined in the approved nutrition standards.
7. At least 50 percent of the food options available at staff meetings may meet the approved nutrition standards. During meetings lasting longer than one hour, staff will have the opportunity to stretch and be physically active.

#### C. Concession Stands

1. The concession items sold at school-sponsored events to participants, fans and visitors may include at least 50 percent healthy beverages and foods, according to the approved nutrition standards.

#### D. Classroom celebrations and birthday parties

1. These celebrations and parties will focus on activities (e.g., giving free time, extra recess, music and reading time) rather than on food.
2. Classroom celebrations that include food will be limited. Food items must be store purchased and prepackaged, and consistent with the Smart Snacks standards for foods and beverages sold in the school.
3. Schools shall inform parents/guardians of the classroom celebration guidelines.

#### E. Food as a Reward or Consequence

1. Teachers and staff will not use food as a reward. For example, the use of sugar-sweetened beverages or candy as a classroom reward at any school is not appropriate.
2. School staff will not withhold food or drink at mealtimes as a consequence.

#### F. Fundraisers

1. Fundraising activities will support healthy eating and wellness. Schools will promote the sale of non-food items for school-sponsored fundraising. For a food or beverage item to be sold as a fundraiser, it must meet the approved nutrition standards. Fundraisers subject to this rule are those sold during the school day on school grounds. School day is defined as from midnight the night before to 30 minutes after the end of school.
2. At the discretion of the building principal, each school building may have two exempt fundraisers per year.

#### G. Non-sold food and beverages:

1. Non-sold food and beverages will comply with federal nutrition standards.

#### H. Marketing

1. Signage or similar media on school campus during the school day may only advertise food and/or beverages provided and sold by the school that meet the competitive foods standards for foods sold in schools (Smart Snacks).

#### **IV. Physical Activity and Physical Education**

##### **A. Physical Education K-12**

1. All students in grades K-12 will participate in physical education in order to meet the Physical Education Standards. Also, high schools will encourage students to take more than the courses of physical education required for all Indiana diplomas.
2. Physical education classes may have the same student/teacher ratio used in other classes. In Indiana, the ratio for a single school shall not exceed an average of 30 to 1.
3. The physical education program shall be provided adequate space and equipment to ensure quality physical education classes for students.
4. Physical education will be taught by a licensed physical education instructor.
5. All staff involved in physical education will be provided opportunities for professional development focusing on physical activity, fitness, health and wellness.

##### **B. Daily Recess and Physical Activity Breaks**

1. Each elementary school shall provide daily physical activity in accordance with Indiana Code 20-30-5-7.5.
2. All elementary school students will have at least 1 period of active recess per day that is at least 20 minutes in length as recommended by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE). This recess period will be outdoors when possible. If outdoor recess is not possible due to inclement weather, teachers will provide an indoor physical activity break in the classroom.
3. All teachers will be encouraged to use physical activity breaks during classroom time as often as possible.
4. Schools should discourage extended periods of inactivity (2 or more hours). During events such as mandatory school-wide testing, teachers will give students periodic breaks for moderate physical activity.

##### **C. Physical Activity Opportunities Before and After School**

1. Schools may offer intramurals, clubs, interscholastic sports and voluntary activities to increase opportunities for physical activity before and/or after school, taking into account student interest and supervisor availability.
2. After-school enrichment providers will include physical activity in their programs, to the extent space and equipment allow.

##### **D. Physical Activity and Remedial Activities/Consequence**

1. To the extent possible, students will not be removed or excused from physical education to receive instruction in other content areas.
2. School staff will not use physical activity as a consequence.

#### **V. Other School Based Activities**

##### **A. Walking and Bicycling to School**

1. Where appropriate and safe, schools will allow walking and bicycling to school.
2. To the extent possible, the school corporation will make improvements so it is safer, easier and more enjoyable for students to walk and bicycle to school.
3. The school corporation will explore the availability of both local and federal funding (e.g., Safe Routes to School funds administered by the Indiana Department of Transportation) to finance such improvements.
4. Schools will promote walking and bicycling to school, including the promotion of International Walk to School Day, which falls on the first Wednesday of October each year.

## B. Use of School Facilities Outside of School Hours

1. Approved school spaces and facilities, such as the playground, pool, and track, may be made available to students, staff and community members before, during and after the school day; on weekends; and during school vacations. School policies concerning safety will apply at all times.

## C. Staff Wellness

1. The school corporation will promote programs to increase knowledge of physical activity and healthy eating for faculty and staff. Presentations on health and wellness may be provided each school year.
2. The school corporation will work with local fitness centers to offer reduced membership fees.
3. Schools will allow staff to use school facilities outside of school hours for activities such as group fitness classes, walking programs and individual use.
4. Staff will be encouraged to participate in community walking, bicycling or running events.
5. Physical education will be taught by a licensed physical education instructor.
6. All staff involved in physical education will be provided opportunities for professional development focusing on physical activity, fitness, health and wellness.
7. Schools will promote breastfeeding by making reasonable efforts to provide a private location for employees to express breast milk in accordance with IC 22-2-14-2.

## VI. Evaluation of Wellness Policy

### A. Implementation and Data Collection

1. The school corporation may use an evidence-based assessment tool to track the collective health of students over time by collecting data such as body composition (height and weight), aerobic capacity, and/or muscular strength, endurance and flexibility.
2. The superintendent is responsible for retaining all documentation of compliance with this policy and its regulations, but the principals shall ensure that their individual schools are in compliance with the corporation's wellness policy every three school years by assessing wellness implementation strategies. The principals shall provide a written report to the superintendent, who will provide the report to the school board. The principal's report shall contain the following information: the school's progress toward meeting the wellness goals over the previous three school years; the website address for the wellness policy and how the public can receive a copy of the policy; a description of the progress in meeting the goals, a summary of the event or activities related to the implementation of the policy; the name, position, and contact information of the school official coordinating the health advisory council or the school's wellness team; and information on how individuals and the public can get involved with the school's wellness team.
3. The evaluation of the wellness policy and implementation will be directed by the Coordinated School Health Advisory Council and will be responsible for the three-year assessment of each school's compliance with the policy and its regulations. The three-year assessment must measure the implementation of this policy and its regulations; the extent to which each school is in compliance with the policy; the extent this policy compares to other model school wellness policies; and a description of the progress made in attaining the goals of the wellness policy. As a result of this assessment and evaluation the policy and regulations will be revised as needed.
4. The three-year assessment and evaluation report will be made available to the public by posting it on the school corporation website

**B.** In addition to the goals included in the areas of Nutrition Education, Nutrition Promotion, Physical Activity, and Other School Based Activities, students and staff will be surveyed in March of each school year to assess engagement in physical activity and healthy food consumption.

1. During each school year, all staff will engage in at least 20 minutes of physical activity at least 3 times per week as age and medically appropriate. (Survey)
2. During each school year, all students will engage in at least 20 minutes of physical activity at least 3 times per week as age and medically appropriate. (Survey)
3. During each school year, all staff will consume foods meeting or exceeding the nutrition standards at least 2 times per day. (Survey)
4. During each school year, all students will consume foods meeting or exceeding the nutrition standards at least 2 times per day. (Survey)



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## **Local School Wellness Policy: Triennial Assessment Template**

### **Background Information**

An assessment of your school wellness policy must be conducted a minimum of once every three years per United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations; however, Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) may assess their policy more frequently if they wish.

### **Purpose**

The template below is offered as a way to summarize the information gathered during your assessment. Members of a school wellness committee who are completing their triennial assessment for their school wellness policy may use this template. It contains the three required components of the triennial assessment, including 1) compliance with the wellness policy 2) how the wellness policy compares to model wellness policies 3) progress made in attaining the goals of the wellness policy.

### **Results**

The copy of the assessment, as well as the current wellness policy, must be made available to the public. How these documents are shared publicly is the decision of the LEA. Many LEAs choose to post the results on their district website. Sponsors may use this template to organize the assessment conducted and make it available to the public.

### **Recordkeeping**

Keep a copy of the most recent triennial assessment, along with supporting documentation on file. State agencies will assess compliance with the wellness policy requirements as a part of the General Areas of the Administrative Review every three years. Keep a copy of the results on file for at least three full school years plus the current year.

## Section 1: General Information

School(s) included in the assessment: Cascade High & Middle Schools, MC East & West Elementary Schools

Month and year of current assessment: April, 2023

Date of last wellness policy revision: April, 2020

Website address for the wellness policy and/or information on how the public can access a copy:  
[www.mccsc.k12.in.us](http://www.mccsc.k12.in.us)

## Section 2. Compliance with the Wellness Policy and Progress Towards Goals

At a minimum, school wellness policies are required to include:

- Specific goals for:
  - Nutrition promotion
  - Nutrition education
  - Physical activity
  - Other school based activities that promote student wellness.
- Standards and nutrition guidelines for all foods and beverages *sold* to students on the school campus during the school day that are consistent with federal regulations for school meal nutrition standards, and the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.
- Standards for all foods and beverages provided, *but not sold*, to students during the school day (e.g., in classroom parties, classroom snacks brought by parents, or other foods given as incentives).
- Policies for food and beverage marketing that allow marketing and advertising of only those foods and beverages that meet the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.
- Description of evaluation plan.

Using the tables below, indicate the language that is currently written in the school wellness policy in relation to each topic area. Next, assess and discuss whether the school is meeting the goal, partially meeting the goal, or not meeting the goal. Finally, indicate the progress made for each goal and next steps that have been identified.

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Wellness Coordinator:</b> Has identified at least one person as responsible for facilitating the wellness policy upkeep  Name person responsible for facilitating the upkeep: <u>Jim Diagostino, Superintendent</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Annual assignment and review			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Stakeholder Participation:</b> Allow parents, students, representatives of the school food authority, teachers of physical education, school health professionals, the school board, school administrators, and the general public to participate in the development, implementation, evaluation and update of the wellness policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Parents, food service staff, physical education teachers, coaches, student, school nurse, health care professionals, school board members, school administrators, community organizations, any interested member of the public			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>USDA Requirements for School Meals:</b> Has assured school meals meet the USDA requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Detailed information for school meal content, participation, mealtimes & scheduling, and professional development			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Nutritional Guidelines for all foods and beverages sold:</b> Has set nutritional guidelines for foods and beverages sold on the school campus during the school day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Approved nutritional standards, availability, concession stands, classroom celebrations, food as a reward or consequence, fundraisers, non-sold food & beverages, marketing			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Nutritional Guidelines for non-sold foods and beverages:</b> Has set nutritional guidelines for foods and beverages not sold but made available on the school campus during the school day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Non-sold food and beverages will comply with federal nutrition standards			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Food &amp; Beverage Marketing:</b> Allow marketing on the school campus during the school day of only those foods and beverages that meet the competitive food/beverage requirements (Smart Snacks)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: aligned with Smart Snacks requirements			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Nutrition Education:</b> Has at least 2 goals for nutrition education List goals: <small>Health education will be provided as part of a comprehensive health education program and taught by a licensed educator.</small> 1. <small>The school corporation will provide nutrition education training opportunities to teachers and staff for all grade levels.</small> 2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Progressing well			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Nutrition Promotion:</b> Has at least 2 goals for nutrition promotion List goals: <small>Nutrition labels will be provided on all foods to allow students to easily identify healthier foods.</small> 1. <small>Foods of minimal nutritional value, including brands and illustrations, shall not be advertised or marketed in educational materials.</small> 2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Progressing well			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Physical Activity:</b> Has at least 2 goals for physical activity List goals: <small>Physical education will be taught by a licensed physical education instructor.</small> 1. <small>Physical education classes may have the same student/teacher ratio used in other classes.</small> 2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Progressing Well			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<p><b>Other Activities:</b> Has at least 2 goals for Other School-Based Activities that promote student wellness</p> <p>List goals:</p> <p><small>Where appropriate and safe, schools will allow walking and bicycling to school.</small></p> <p>1.</p> <p><small>To the extent possible, the school corporation will make improvements so it is safer, easier and more enjoyable for students to walk and bicycle to school.</small></p> <p>2.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Describe progress and next steps: Progressing Well</p>			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<p><b>Evaluation:</b> Every three years LEA has evaluated the wellness policy with an evaluation tool and has notified the public of the results. The assessment will determine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● to what extent the LEA is in compliance with the school wellness policy</li> <li>● the extent to which the local wellness policy compares to model school wellness policies</li> <li>● the progress made in attaining the goals of the school wellness policy</li> </ul> <p>Name person responsible for monitoring the policy: <u>Jim Diagostino, Superintendent</u></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Describe progress and next steps: Annual, in person, meeting of the Wellness Committee on April 19, 2023</p>			

School Wellness Policies are to Include:	Meeting Goal	Meeting Goal Partially	Not Meeting Goal
<b>Communication:</b> Annually inform and update parents, students, staff, and the community about the content and implementation of the wellness policy and provide a way for additional stakeholders to be able to participate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Describe progress and next steps: Communicated on our website			

Include any additional notes, if necessary:

Annual survey conducted for volunteer participation by our students, teachers, and staff

**Section 3. Comparison to Model School Wellness Policies**

Indicate model policy language used for comparison. Model policies may be found [here](#).

- Alliance for a Healthier Generation: Model Policy
- Upgrade Sample Language
- Other (please specify): Indiana School Boards Association

Describe how the school wellness policy compares to model wellness policies.

The MCCSC Wellness policy aligns to other model wellness policies.

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**Annual Report 2023**

The Coordinated School Health Advisory Council (Wellness Committee) shall report annually to the School Board on the implementation of the wellness policy and include any recommended changes or revisions.

The Advisory Council will convene in person annually, as needed, and at least once every three years. The council convened in person on April 19, 2023.

The Advisory Council consists of 25 members representing students, parents, teachers, nurses, administrators, board members, community health organizations, and other interested community members. Members are actively engaged with the Advisory Council through email communications and/or attendance at the meetings. Minutes for each meeting are reviewed and sent to all members. The wellness policy and administrative regulations, principal reports, survey results, food service menus, and policy examples are items available to members for comment/discussion. The Advisory Council conducts an annual survey of K-12 students and teachers/staff members to assess engagement in physical activity and healthy food consumption.

The Advisory Council supports the wellness policy in addressing nutrition education, nutrition programs and school meals, nutrition standards for competitive/other foods and beverages, physical activity and physical education, staff wellness, and evaluation.

Our Wellness Policy, administrative regulations, evaluation checklist, and annual report are available on our website.