NH 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Weaving the Fabric of Education

## Connecting to Community Health Initiatives

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## Purpose of Presentation:

- NH Data VS US Data Understand need for change
- Why school, family and community partnerships are key to healthy students.
- Community programs with student based wellness opportunities.
- Healthy community partnerships-Lessons Learned
- Resources....Let's Talk!



### Age-adjusted Percentage of U.S. Adults Who Were Obese or Who Had Diagnosed Diabetes



Obesity (BMI  $\geq 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$ )

**Diabetes** 

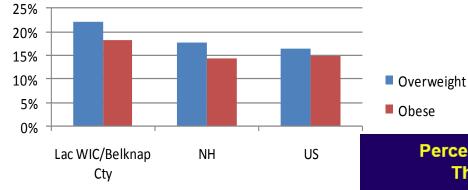




CDC's Division of Diabetes Translation. National Diabetes Surveillance System available at http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/statistics

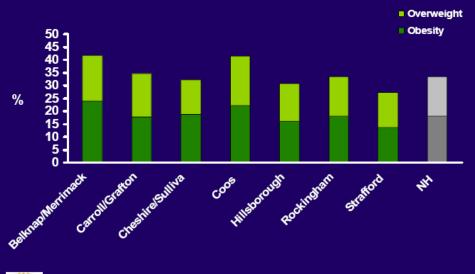


### Overweight and Obesity Rates Children Ages 2-4 yrs PedNSS 2009



For the first time in history our child's life expectancy is not expected to exceed our own!

Percent of New Hampshire Third Grade Students That are Overweight or Obese, by Region 2008-2009 School Year

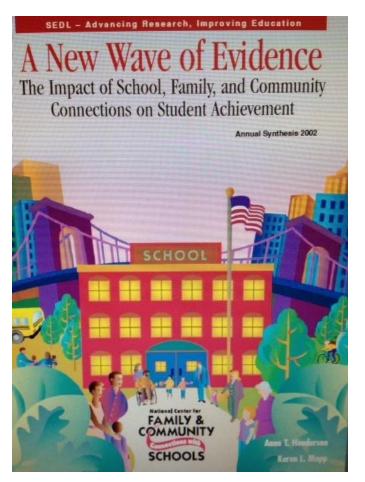


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Third Grade Healthy Smiles & Healthy Growth Survey — New Hampshire, 2008–2009 New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services

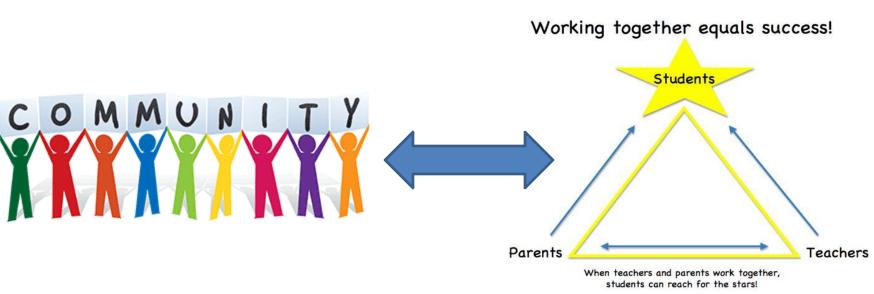
### A New Wave Of Evidence: The Impact of School, Family and Community Connections on Student Achievement-National Center for Family &

Community Connections with Schools



- Started with a group of 80 studies and literature reviews that focused on the influence of family and community involvement on academic achievement and other outcomes.
  - 51 Studies were selected.
    - 1. Early childhood through high school
    - 2. All regions of the country
    - 3. Diverse populations
    - 4. Community as well as family involvement
    - 5. A variety of research methods
    - 6. Different sources of data

## **Overall Finding:**



**O**Home, School & Community Partnerships:

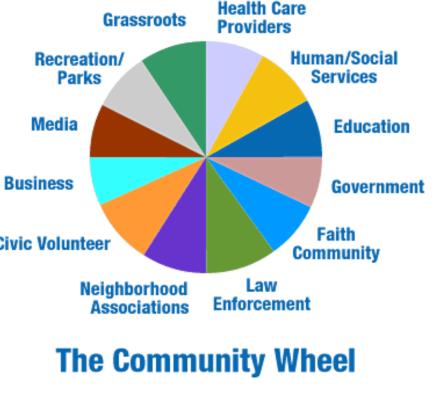
There is a positive and convincing relationship between family / community involvement and benefits for students, including improved academic achievement. This relationship holds across families of all economic, racial/ethnic, and educational backgrounds and for students at all ages.

-http://www.sedl.org/connections/resources/evidence.pdf

# **Community Organization**

In a growing number of districts across the country, community groups are organizing a power base of parents and residents in low-income communities.

The goal of these efforts is to Civic Volunteer improve outcomes for all Neig students through increased funding and educational resources.



www.MarinInstitute.org

-http://www.sedl.org/connections/resources/evidence.pdf



### Let's Talk about Drugs & our Community



LHS/LMS PTO and Stand Up Laconia invite parents, grandparents, students grades 6-12, and concerned community members to join us as we take a look at an important issue impacting our community. There will be:

- presentations from local experts
- opportunities to ask questions and discuss concerns
- opportunities to learn about the positive strides taking place within our city to help prevent youth and young adult substance abuse
- · time to connect with other concerned community members
- a resource table

#### Presenters Include:



Traci Fowler, MSW, Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health Detective Chris Noyes, Laconia PD Officer Steve Orton, School Resource Officer at LMS/LHS Clare Persson, Stand Up Laconia Chairperson



# **GOT LUNCH!** LACONIA

http://www.gotlunchlaconia.com/Laconia/index.html



## Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health A Healthy Eating Active Living Community



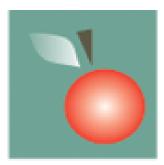
 Immunization •Community based resources •Service Link •CERT •Home Health Outreach •Oral Health •Suicide Prevention •Emergency **Response Plans** •HEAL •Sun Safety

### www.lrpph.org www.laconiahealthandwellness.org

# State Wellness Partners



"HEAL is a leading resource for healthy eating and active living in New Hampshire. HEAL effects change by advancing strategic policies, environmental changes and practices that increase people's access to healthy foods and opportunities for physical activity by working in collaboration with and providing leadership and support to the many organizations and individuals that promote healthy choices."



### FOUNDATION FOR HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

### http://www.healnh.org/

http://www.healthynh.com/

http://theweightofthenation.hbo.com/kids



# "The Language of CATCH"

- "Hitting the Track"/ "Mingle-Mingle"
- Lost & Found
- Re-Entry Tasks/Re-Entry Zone
- Challenge by Choice
- Everyday/Sometimes foods
- Go Activities MVPA
- Eliminate elimination games
- "CATCHify" old favorites
- "CATCH" them making healthy choices!

http://catchusa.org/ info@CATCHUSA.org





# Move To Improve Mental Fortitude

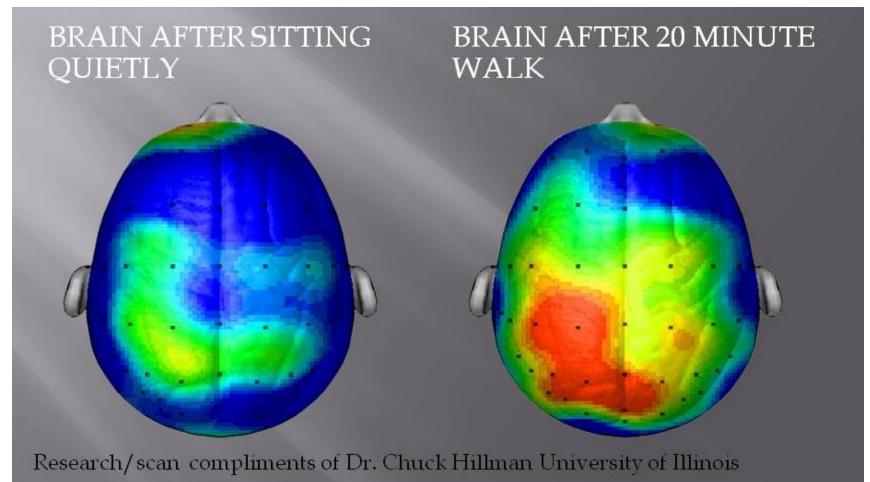
- "Some researchers suspect exercise alleviates chronic depression by increasing serotonin (the neurotransmitter targeted by antidepressants) or brain-derived neurotrophic factor (which supports the growth of neurons). Another theory suggests exercise helps by normalizing sleep, which is known to have protective effects on the brain."-American
- Exercise may boost a depressed person's outlook by helping him return to meaningful activity and providing a sense of accomplishment. "Exercise may be a way of biologically toughening up the brain so stress has less of a central impact," Otto says

-American Psychological Association Journal, Kirsten Weir , December 2011, Vol 42, No. 11, Print version: page 48

# In Shape- In SHAPE individualized health promotion intervention for adults with mental illness.

- Americans with a serious mental illness have a life expectancy 15 to 30 years less than the rest of the population-<u>http://now.dartmouth.edu/2012/02/in-shape-local-pilot-becomesnational-model/</u>
- In SHAPE pairs participants with a personal health mentor, someone who is trained in fitness and nutrition, as well as in skills "to motivate people with mental-health challenges," Bartels says

## **Movement Breaks**



## **Movement Break Resources**



- <u>http://psspewithmrsg.weeb</u>
  <u>ly.com/blog (active apps)</u>
- •<u>http://www.eatsmartmove</u> <u>morenc.com/Energizers/Tex</u> <u>ts/K-5-Energizers.pdf</u>
- •http://catchusa.org/
- Pinterest

# Partnership Opportunities

- Walk & Talks
- Story Walks
- WOW Trail-Murals
- Bike / Pedestrian
  Opportunities-John
  Rogers- Laconia
  Area Bicycle
  Exchange
- <u>http://cnhbc.org/pr</u>
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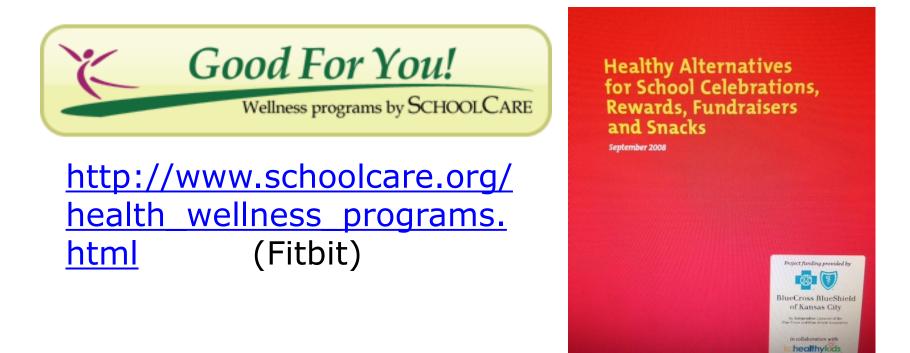
- Lions Club-Bike Rodeo & Free Helmets
- Farm to School
- Snack Shack
- Nicholas J. Coates (Nik)
  Active Living Coordinator,
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  Communities
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# Lebanon Safe Routes to School Laconia Walk To School Wednesdays

Strategic Partners Evaluation Education Encouragement Enforcement Engineering



## **Insurance Companies**



http://www.kchealthykids.org/Resource\_/Resour ceArticle/29/File/HealthyAlternativesforSchoolSna cksandRewards.pdf

### **Medical Partners**

Your Journey to Healthy Living Weight Medical Office Building 85 Spring Street, Laconia, NH 03246 Tel 603-527-2946 Fax 603-527-2949 www.winh.org A Department of Lakes Region General Hospital

### **GETTING REAL ON WEIGHT** G.R.O.W.

Teens Helping Teens

Peer support for teens struggling with being over-weight.

Friday's 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. WINH Conference Room

Facilitated by a Registered Dietitian

### Each session will address a different topic:

A Balanced Plate Managing Peer Pressure and Food Healthy Drinks Coping Without Food

Institute

Loving Yourself Your Choices at School Eating Out or At Events Many other Topics

Individual goals and plans set at each meeting

Call today if you or a family member is interested in joining our group! 527-2850



# **Community Resources**

 <u>http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/nhp/children/i</u> <u>ndex.htm</u>



- •http://www.lrfn.org/
- <u>http://www.somervillema.gov</u>
  <u>/departments/health/sus</u>
- <u>http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs</u>
  <u>/nhp/healthfoodoutlets.htm</u>
- •<u>http://www.cdc.gov/nutrition/</u> everyone/fruitsvegetables/ind ex.html

•Ron Christie, UNH Cooperative Extension [unhce@unhce.ccsend.com]



http://www.msgn.org/re sources/curricula/69curricula-grade.html



## Connecting to our food





http://www.nhfoodbank.org/

http://extension.unh.edu/Belknap-County

http://www.earlysprouts.org/

## Seed to Plate Projects



•I Don't like it yet •TBC-Two Bite Club



# Take care of you!!!!

- <u>http://www.unh.edu/healthyunh/node/272</u>
- <u>https://www.plymouth.edu/healthy-psu/</u>



# Let's FISH!

Choose your Attitude....

...the attitude you have now is the one you are choosing. Is the one you want? PLAY not just an activity, it's a state of mind that brings energy and sparks creativity Make Their Day the world becomes a better place the moment you act on an intention to serve another

### **BE THERE**

...to be present, to be fully engaged in the moment,



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