

# Unit 10: Communicable Disease

Content Area: **Health and Physical Education**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **Marking Period 1**  
Length: **1 Week**  
Status: **Published**

## **Brief Summary of Unit**

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The ability to understand and incorporate wellness practices into one's daily living is vital to the well-being of our students and directly correlates to their optimal overall health. Effective health practices provide students with the potential for success when choosing a career and allow for the pursuit of any career interest. When taking this course, students develop their understanding of the interrelationship between wellness, overall well-being and success.

Students will learn and understand common communicable disease, how they are obtained and spread, and how they can be prevented. Students will also learn how communicable diseases affect the body systems. Students will learn ways to apply knowledge gained during the unit to their own personal life.

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## **Essential Questions**

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- Do certain behaviors that are specific to teenagers lead to an increased risk for contracting communicable diseases?
- How can you protect against a disease that you cannot physically see?
- In what ways is it possible for a teenager to prevent the spread of communicable diseases within a home, in school, and during social activities?

## **Essential Understandings**

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- communicable diseases can be spread.
- there are ways to prevent communicable diseases.
- sexually transmitted diseases can be avoided through abstinence.
- HIV and AIDS are currently incurable

## **Students Will Know**

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- key terms and concepts, including: disease, communicable, germs, pathogens, infection, viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoa, immune system, inflammation, lymphatic system, antigens, antibodies, immunity, vaccine, influenza, mononucleosis, hepatitis, tuberculosis, pneumonia, strep throat, hygiene, sexually transmitted diseases, chlamydia, genital warts, genital herpes, gonorrhea, syphilis, hepatitis b, HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome).
- what causes communicable diseases.
- the functions of the immune system.
- the role antibodies play in the immune system.
- how to protect the immune system.

### **Students Will Be Skilled At**

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- common sexually transmitted diseases, as well as their signs and symptoms.
- how to protect yourself from STDs (sexually transmitted diseases).
- the difference between HIV and AIDS.

### **Evidence/Performance Tasks**

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When taking a Physical Education or Health course, students demonstrate differentiated abilities to answer the essential questions and meet course objectives through formative and summative assessments. Evidence of progression in answering the essential questions and meeting course objectives demonstrates the development of proficiency over time. The performance tasks below are implemented as benchmark assessments and, based on individual student readiness and performance, can be implemented as formative and/or summative assessments. Student proficiency allows for additional or alternative assessment based on demonstration or absence of skill.

- complete a diagram on the parts and functions of the immune system.
- research ways to protect the immune system.
- work in a group to research and present to the class the signs, symptoms, and ways to protect themselves against different common STD's.
- complete a written assessment on common communicable diseases, the parts and functions of the immune system, the signs and symptoms of common STD's, and the difference between HIV and AIDS
- follow all class rules and regulations

- answer the essential questions.

## **Learning Plan**

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- Preview the essential questions and connect to learning throughout the unit.
- Introduce communicable diseases highlighting topics such as the immune system, different communicable diseases, ways to protect your body against disease, sexually transmitted diseases, and HIV/AIDS.
- Discuss key terms and concepts including: disease, communicable, germs, pathogens, infection, viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoa, immune system, inflammation, lymphatic system, antigens, antibodies, immunity, vaccine, influenza, mononucleosis, hepatitis, tuberculosis, pneumonia, strep throat, hygiene, sexually transmitted diseases, chlamydia, genital warts, genital herpes, gonorrhea, syphilis, hepatitis b, HIV, AIDS.
- Complete a diagram on the parts and functions of the immune system.
- Identify ways to protect the immune system.
- Research and present to the class the signs, symptoms, and treatments for common STD's.
- Complete a written assessment on common communicable diseases, the parts and functions of the immune system, the signs and symptoms of common STD's, and the difference between HIV and AIDS.

## **Materials**

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Laptops

Projector

Construction paper

Markers

Course videos

Handouts

Associated web content and media sources are infused into the unit as applicable and available

In addition the materials above, the link connects to district approved textbooks and resources utilized in this course

[CORE BOOK LIST](#)

The materials used in this course allow for integration of a variety of instructional, supplemental, and intervention materials that support student learners at all levels in the school and home environment.

## Standards

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By the end of Grade 8:

### 2.1 Mental Health: Emotional and Social Wellness

#### Personal Growth and Development

Individual actions, genetics, and family history can play a role in an individual's personal health.

- 2.1.8.PGD.1: Explain how appropriate health care can promote personal health.
- 2.1.8.PGD.2: Analyze how genetics and family history can impact personal health.

There are factors that contribute to making healthy decisions about sex.

- 2.1.8.SSH.7: Identify factors that are important in deciding whether and when to engage in sexual behaviors.
- 2.1.8.SSH.8: Identify factors that can affect the ability to give or perceive consent to sexual activity (e.g., body image, self-esteem, alcohol, other substances).
- 2.1.8.SSH.9: Define vaginal, oral, and anal sex.
- 2.1.8.SSH.10: Identify short and long-term contraception and safer sex methods that are effective and describe how to access and use them (e.g., abstinence, condom).
- 2.1.8.SSH.11: Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk of unintended pregnancy and STIs (including HIV).

#### Community Health Services and Support

Potential solutions to health issues are dependent on health literacy and locating resources accessible in a community.

- 2.1.8.CHSS.1: Identify professionals at school and in the community available to assist with health conditions and emergencies, sexual health services, life skills training and describe how they can be accessed (e.g., suicide prevention, CPR/AED, breast self-examination, traumatic stress).
- 2.1.8.CHSS.3: Identify the state and federal laws related to minors' access to sexual healthcare services, including pregnancy and STIs/HIV prevention, testing, care, and treatment.
- 2.1.8.CHSS.5: Identify medically accurate sources of information about STIs, including HIV, such as local STIs/HIV prevention, steps to obtain PrEP and PEP, testing, and treatment resources.

#### Health Conditions, Diseases and Medicines

Diseases can be contracted from a variety of sources and choices individuals make may contribute to or

prevent a person from being susceptible to a disease or health condition.

- 2.3.8.HCDM.1: Justify how the use of universal precautions, sanitation and waste disposal, proper food handling and storage, and environmental controls can prevent diseases and health conditions.
- 2.3.8.HCDM.2: Determine the role of genetics in being susceptible to disease and health conditions and identify the types of behavior that might reduce the risk factors.
- 2.3.8.HCDM.3: Describe behaviors which may contribute to or prevent a person from being susceptible to disease and illness (e.g., cardiovascular, stroke, hepatitis, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, HPV, testicular cancer).
- 2.3.8.HCDM.4: Describe the signs, symptoms, and potential impacts of STIs (including HIV).
- 2.3.8.HCDM.5: Compare and contrast behaviors, including abstinence, to determine the potential risk of pregnancy and/or STIs (including HIV) transmission.

The degree to which an individual is impacted by a health condition or disease can be affected by their immune system and treatment strategies.

- 2.3.8.HCDM.6: Explain how the immune system fights disease.
- 2.3.8.HCDM.7: Explain how certain methods of disease prevention, treatment strategies, and appropriate medicine use promote health-enhancing behaviors.

#### Interdisciplinary connections across content areas

- LA.WHST.6-8.2.D - Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
- LA.WHST.6-8.4 - Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, voice, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
- LA.WHST.11-12.6 - Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.

#### Inclusion of the Career Ready Practice Standards

- CRP.K-12.CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.

#### Integration of 21st Century Skills through NJSLS 9

- CAEP.9.2.8.B.3: Evaluate communication, collaboration, and leadership skills that can be developed through school, home, work, and extracurricular activities for use in a career.

## Integration of Technology Standards through the NJSL

- TECH.8.1.8.A.3: Use and/or develop a simulation that provides an environment to solve a real world problem or theory.

### **Suggested Strategies for Modifications**

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<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JN3XzsuRVs09JoqKayEQYWUZt4rJdwqQ3rQI5jqs5C4/edit?usp=sharing>