# Grade 6 Health Unit 2: Healthy Decision-Making

Content Area: Health & PE

Course(s):

Time Period: MP2
Length: 3 Weeks
Status: Published

#### **Rationale and Transfer Goals**

When students think of drugs often they do not consider alcohol, tobacco, and prescription drugs to be part of the equation because these are things that can be found in various social settings or at home in the bathroom. Students will understand these drugs are harmful to health as well as illegal substances and can affect the individual, bystanders, and family. Students will also come to know the history of some of the drugs and help to today's medical breakthroughs but how use and abuse caused things to change.

#### **Enduring Understandings**

The use of alcohol, tobacco (including e-cigarettes, vaping), and other drugs (including cannabis products) can result in social, emotional, and physical harm to oneself and others.

A variety of factors can contribute to alcohol, tobacco, and drug disorders (e.g., mental health, genetics, environment) and a wide variety of treatment options are available depending on the needs of the individual.

The use of alcohol and drugs can affect the social, emotional, and physical behaviors of individuals and their families.

# **Essential Questions**

How does nicotine affect the body?

What factors may influence teens to try tobacco, alcohol, or drugs?

What are some ways you could refuse the use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs?

What are some short and long term benefits of avoiding alcohol?

Why is it important to know the BAC of a beverage of alcohol?

What are some of the health risk associated with drug use?

What are alternatives to drug abuse?

## **Content - What will students know?**

- Drugs that are legal can also be harmful
- There are over 4,000 harmful chemicals found in tobacco, not just nicotine
- Setting goals help you to stay away from drugs
- Using tobacco around people is harmful to them also
- There are many factors that influence alcohol's effects: body weight, rate of consumption, amount the person consumes, presence of food, presence of other drugs, gender.
- Just because drinks look the same size they may not have the same alcohol content.
- Any type of drug can be abused.

<u>Vocabulary</u>
Nicotine
Carbon monoxide
Гаг
Emphysema
Addiction
Snuff
Negative peer pressure
Media
Refusal skills
Second hand smoke
Alcohol
Drug
Cirrhosis
Blood Alcohol Content
Tolerance
Alcoholism
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
llegal drugs
nhalants
Marijuana
Stimulants

Anabolic Steroids		
Narcotics		
Hallucinogens		
Drug abuse		
Overdose		
Withdrawal		
Skills - What will students be able to do?  • Identify various drugs		
<ul> <li>Recognize the harmful effects that drugs can have on the body</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Know the difference between legal and illegal drugs</li> </ul>		
• Understand the dangers of secondhand smoke		
<ul> <li>Apply refusal skills when being pressured or influenced to partake in drug use</li> </ul>		
Activities - How will we teach the content and skills?		
skits		
Worksheets		
Discussion		
Notes		
PowerPoint		
Videos		
Research Project		
Group Work		
Evidence/Assessments - How will we know what students have learned?		
Completion of writing assignments and written test		

Completion of teacher created assessment
Successful completion of skill/content sheets
Homework
Project
Notebook

**Spiraling for Mastery** 

Participation

Content or Skill for this Unit	Spiral Focus from Previous Unit	Instructional Activity
Content or Skill for this Unit  Accessing Information  • Drug research project • Tobacco mini-lab - testing how tobacco affects the heart • Alcohol mini-lab - how alcohol affects the senses  Practicing Healthful Behaviors • Using refusal skills	<del>-</del>	Instructional Activity  Health Journal  Let's Spin Alcohol Lab  Eat that Cotton - Alcohol Activity  Vocabulary Games  Heart Rate - Tobacco Activity  Group Drug Research Presentation  Crazy Drug facts
<ul> <li>Only using prescription drugs according to the doctor's suggestions</li> <li>Analyzing Influences</li> <li>Media and other outlets can influence us by making drugs seem glamorous</li> <li>Drugs done in the home have a great impact on you and can be the starting point of a cycle of addiction</li> </ul>		Q and A Sessions  Topics:  Tobacco: A Harmful Drug  Staying Tobacco Free  Dangers of Alcohol Use  Alcoholism and Addiction  What are Illegal Drugs
Using great     communication skills can help you get our point		Drug Abuse Avoiding Alcohol and Drugs

across when you are refusing drugs	Recognizing Alcohol Abuse
Refusal Skills	
Using many methods to say no and remain drug free.	
Goal Setting	
<ul> <li>Setting goals helps people to have something to look forward and give reason not to divert from their path with bad choices.</li> </ul>	
Advocacy	
Each student should be an advocate for a drug free life and know positive effects being drug free could have on you.	

#### **Key Resources**

Glencoe Teen Health Course 1 (220-265)

KidsHealth.com

\*Various miscellaneous resources; health non-fiction/news

# **21st Century Life and Careers**

- 9.4.2.GCA:1: Articulate the role of culture in everyday life by describing one's own culture and comparing it to the cultures of other individuals
- 9.4.5.CI.3: Participate in a brainstorming session with individuals with diverse perspectives to expand one's thinking about a topic of curiosity
- 9.4.5.CT.2: Identify a problem and list the types of individuals and resources (e.g., school, community agencies, governmental, online) that can aid in solving the problem (e.g., 2.1.5.CHSS.1, 4-ESS3-1).
- 9.4.5.CT.4: Apply critical thinking and problem-solving strategies to different types of problems such as

personal, academic, community and global (e.g., 6.1.5.CivicsCM.3).

## **Interdisciplinary Connections/Companion Standards**

Science

- K-LS1-1. Use observations to describe patterns of what plants and animals (including humans) need to survive.
- K-ESS3-3. Communicate solutions that will reduce the impact of humans on the land, water, air, and/or other living things in the local environment.
- MS-LS1-5. Construct a scientific explanation based on evidence for how environmental and genetic factors influence the growth of organisms.
  - Connections to health processes associated with physiology and anatomy
  - Basic understanding of communicability of diseases in discussion of wellness

#### ELA

- NJSLSA.R1. Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
- RI.2.1. Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.
- RI.3.7. Use information gained from text features (e.g., illustrations, maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
- RI.2.7. Explain how specific illustrations and images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.