

NORTH BRANFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Essential Curriculum

Physical Education

Elementary (K- Grade2)

Upon completion of Grade 2, students will be able to:

Demonstrate a positive learning attitude.

- Display a sense of curiosity.
- Practice personal responsibility for learning.
- Demonstrate persistence in completing tasks.
- Apply prior knowledge and processes to construct new knowledge.
- Voluntarily use a variety of resources to investigate topics of interest.

Develop social skills and ethical responsibility.

- Respect similarities and differences in others.
- Treat others with kindness and fairness.
- Follow classroom and school rules.
- Include others in learning and play activities.
- Participate with others when making decisions and solving problems.
- Function positively as a member of a family, class, school, and community.

Demonstrate responsible emotional and cognitive behaviors.

- Recognize own values, talents, and skills.
- Express self in positive ways.
- Demonstrate aesthetic awareness.
- Demonstrate appropriate behavior.
- Express feelings appropriately.
- Meet and respect needs of self and others.

Develop physical skills and personal hygiene.

- Respect physical similarities and differences in self and others.
- Learn proper care of the body for health and fitness.
- Develop knowledge that enhances participation in physical activities.
- Display persistence in learning motor skills and developing fitness.
- Use physical activity for self-expression.

Understand and use basic concepts and skills.

- Develop phonological and phonemic awareness.
- Decode, read, and comprehend written text and symbols.
- Develop vocabulary.
- Develop reasoning and sequencing skills.
- Demonstrate problem-solving skills.
- Observe, sort, and classify objects.
- Make and interpret representations, graphs, and models.
- Recognize how content ideas interconnect.
- Make connections from content areas to application in real life.

Communicate clearly in oral, artistic, written, and nonverbal form.

- Share ideas using communication skills.
- Predict an event or outcome based on evidence.
- Use appropriate language to describe events, objects, people, ideas, and emotions.
- Listen attentively and respond to communication.
- Use mathematical concepts to communicate ideas.
- Use visual art, dance, drama, and music to communicate.