# HEALTH PROMOTING SCHOOLS

## Healthy Students are Better Learners

### **HEALTH NOTE FACTS:**



A child's ability to learn is greatly affected by how healthy they are. Children who arrive at school fed, rested, calm, and unworried are ready to learn. Parent's have an important role in helping students reach their learning potential.

Connection to Personal Wellness Curriculum:

Self Care and Wellbeing

#### **RESOURCE LINKS:**



Media Smarts

Tips for Balanced Lunches

**Physical Activity Guidelines** 

#### **ACTIVITY/CHALLENGE**

There are many steps parents can take to help their children be healthy and able to learn.

- Set regular bedtimes that ensure at least 8 hours of sleep each night
- Provide a healthy breakfast
- Encourage your children to eat regular meals that include a variety of fruit and vegetables every day
- Encourage physical activity for a minimum of 60 minutes each daily
- Maintain daily screen-free times, especially for family meals and booksharing.
- Be a role model by managing stress, being active, eating well and living tobacco free
- Provide a safe, caring and supportive environment at home
- Check in regularly with your child and encourage open communication
- Help your child make positive connections with other caring adults you trust

