

Local School Wellness Policy: Triennial Assessment Tool 2024

School Division: St. Mary's Home

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Wellness Policy can be found at: Saintmaryshome.org

Triennial Assessment can be found at: Saintmaryshome.org

Every three years the divisions must conduct an assessment of the Local School Wellness Policy and make it available to the public. That assessment must address:

- compliance with the division Local School Wellness Policy,
- how the policy compares to the model Wellness Policy, and
- progress made in attaining the goals of the Wellness Policy.

Please visit the <u>Virginia Department of Education</u>, <u>Office of School and Community Nutrition</u>

<u>Programs (VDOE-SCNP) website</u> for all tools and resources to help you complete your Triennial Assessment.

When finalized, please forward this Triennial Assessment or a link to its location to Katy Harbin, Nutrition and Wellness Specialist, at Katy.Harbin@doe.virginia.gov.

Wellness Policy Requirements

| Category | Requirement | Fully in place | Partially in place | Not in place | Action Taken Toward Goals |
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| Policy Leadership | Designate the position or committee responsible for Wellness Policy oversight. | \boxtimes | | | N/A |
| Public Involvement | Notify the public of their ability to participate in the development, implementation, and review. | | | | " Members of the public are invited to participate in the development, implementation and review of the policy" has been added to information on our website. |
| School Meals | Serve school meals that follow USDA-FNS meal regulations. (7CFR210.10 and 7CFR220.8) | \boxtimes | | | N/A |
| Foods Sold Outside of School Meals Program | Sell only USDA's Smart Snacks compliant foods and beverages outside of the school meals program. | | | | No foods are sold to students at St. Mary's Home. |

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| Foods Provided, Not Sold | Specify division guidelines for foods provided, not sold, including at celebrations, given as rewards, or classroom snacks. | | | | Food is not provided to students at celebrations, given as rewards or as classroom snacks. |
| Food and Beverage Marketing | Market only products that adhere to the USDA-FNS Smart Snacks rule. | \boxtimes | | | Products are not marketed to students at St. Mary's Home. |
| Nutrition Education | Include at least one evidence-based goal for nutrition education. | | | | School staff will be required to take a <i>Vector Solutions</i> training in Nutrition Basics in order to prepare lesson plans which include nutrition education. |
| Nutrition Promotion | Include at least one evidence-based goal for nutrition promotion. | | | | All students will be taught about healthy food choices as modeled by the foods and nutritionally complete enteral nutrition formulae provided by St. Mary's Home's food service staff. |
| Physical Education/Activity | Include at least one evidence-based goal for physical education and/or physical activity. | | | | School staff will promote physical movement breaks in the classroom daily and students in grades K-10 will receive adaptive physical education once weekly for 30 minutes. |

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| Other Activities that Promote Student Wellness | Include at least one evidence-based goal for other activities that promote student wellness. | | | | School staff promotes participation in an annual field day with adaptive equipment to promote movement, as is possible, for each student. |
| Triennial Assessment | Complete a Triennial Assessment and notify the public. | | | | Triennial Assessment is completed, and notification is posted on the St. Mary's Home website. |
| Public Update and Information | Specify how the public will be informed about content and implementation. | | | | The public will be informed about the content of the Triennial Assessment via the St. Mary's Home website. |
| Compliant Fundraisers | Permit only USDA-FNS Smart Snacks compliant food and beverage fundraisers. LEAs may choose to allow up to 30 school-sponsored fundraisers per site per school day to be exempt from the Smart Snacks. | | | | Students do not participate in fundraisers. |

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| Fundraiser Times | Disallow food or beverage fundraisers during meal times. | × | | | Students are not involved in fundraisers. |
| Fundraiser Designee | Designate an individual to monitor all food and beverage fundraisers. This designee shall not be school nutrition personnel. | | | | Students are not involved in fundraisers. |
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How does your policy compare to the model policy? Our policy is based on the model policy.

Note progress made towards wellness goals: Progress is ongoing toward wellness goals.