WALDWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Health Education
Curriculum Guide

8th Grade

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Mission of the Middle School Health Education program is to provide each student the opportunity for maximum intellectual, physical, social and emotional development. It is our belief that education is a continuous life-long process, which allows each student to continuously strive to maximize all of his or her capabilities. It is our hope that each student will develop into a health educated and socially responsible life-long learner. We also believe that the benefits of a comprehensive health education program will not only develop lifelong learners but foster workplace skills, including problem solving, communication, cooperation, utilizing technology, and responsible decision making. Our students will have a foundation for an active, healthy and productive life, which will enable them to be a contributing member of society.

The units include The Immune System and Disease, Relationships, and Family Life and Human Reproduction.

In addition to content-based knowledge and skills, this curriculum integrates the skills, knowledge, and expertise of Career Awareness, Exploration, Preparation, and Training. Career readiness, life literacies, and key skills education, when used in combination with standards-based content, ensures that students are prepared for success in today's challenging environment. In this course, students will examine the relationships of the past to the present, solve challenging, authentic problems, accept the responsibility of supporting a group by improving their own skill sets, identify interdisciplinary connections, utilize technology to solve problems, etc.

PACING GUIDE

Unit Number	Unit Title	Suggested Timeframe
1	The Immune System and Disease	12 lessons
2	Relationships	15 lessons
3	Family Life and Human Reproduction	12 lessons

Unit 1: The Immune System and Disease	Pacing Guide: 12 lessons	Standards 2.3.8.HCDM.1
Essential Questions		2.3.8.HCDM.2 2.3.8.HCDM.4 2.3.8.HCDM.5 2.3.8.HCDM.6 2.3.8.HCDM.7 2.1.8.CHSS.5
✓ Disease Prevention Proje Formative Assessments	ect	Materials
 In Class Discussions Brain Pop Exit Tickets 		Chromebook

Teacher ObservationHomework Assignments	
Suggested Activities: • Immune System Presentation • You Tube - Immune System	Differentiation for Diverse Learners
	 Special Education/504: Provide students with essential vocabulary Re -teaching and review Graphic organizers Scaffolding of assignments Guided questions and note taking Provide an outline for writing assessments
	 Use simplified text and summaries of content. Use art visuals for students to respond to instead of text. Provide copies of notes
	At-Risk: Provide copies of presentations and notes Extended time on assignments
Suggested Materials • Health Journal • BrainPOP • Immune System • AIDS • Immune System • Disease	

Interdisciplinary Connections

- > RST.6-8.1, RST.6-8.2, RST.6-8.7, RST.6-8.8
- > WHST.6-8.2, WHST.6-8.7, WHST.6-8.8, WHST.6-8.9
- > 8.2.8.ITH.1, 8.2.8.ETW.1
- > 9.4.8.CI.1, 9.4.8.CT.3
- > CRP3, CRP4, CRP5, CRP6

Unit 2: Relationships	Pacing Guide: 15 lessons	Standards 2.3.8.PS.1
 Essential Questions What does sexual orentation and gender identity mean? How does privacy play a role in the development of strong friendships/strong relationships? What does a healthy relationship entail? What sort of communications and interactions should occur in healthy relationships? What are warning signs of unhealthy relationships, abusive relationships and dating violence? What are the signs of relationship abuse? How can one seek help for relationship and family life issues? 	 Enduring Understandings Individuals need to express his/her sexuality in ways that are both healthy and responsible. Recognizing risk factors and applying risk reducing strategies can prevent health consequences. Assertive communication skills enhance health by avoiding and/or reducing health risks. Personal choices impact current and long term outcomes on individuals, family and society. There are many ways to seek help through guidance counselors, therapists, and medical counselors. 	2.3.8.PS.2 2.3.8.PS.3 2.3.8.PS.4 2.3.8.PS.5 2.3.8.PS.6 2.3.8.PS.7 2.1.8.PGD.4 2.1.8.SSH.1 2.1.8.SSH.2 2.1.8.SSH.3 2.1.8.SSH.4 2.1.8.SSH.5 2.1.8.SSH.6 2.1.8.SSH.7 2.1.8.SSH.8 2.1.8.SSH.8 2.1.8.CHSS.1 2.1.8.CHSS.2 2.1.8.CHSS.4
Summative Assessment ✓ Unit Test ✓ Relationship Assessment ✓ Project	:	
Formative Assessments		Materials ● Chromebook
Suggested Activities: • MS Sexual Orientation / • • Kids Health - Relationship	Gender Identity Presentation	Differentiation for Diverse Learners
 Relationships and Respe Unhealthy Relationships Healthy Youth - Relations 	ct Presentation Activity	 Special Education/504: Provide students with essential vocabulary Re -teaching and review Graphic organizers Scaffolding of assignments Guided questions and

	note taking		
 Provide an outline fe 			
	writing assessments		

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ELL:

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At-Risk:

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- Extended time on assignments

Suggested Materials

Health Journal

Suggested Websites

- Healthy Relationships Video
- Middle School LGBTQ History
- Relationships Lessons

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- > 8.2.8.ITH.1, 8.2.8.ITH.3, 8.2.8.ITH.4
- > 9.2.8.CAP.4, 9.2.8.CAP.5, 9.4.8.GCA.1
- ➤ CRP3, CRP4, CRP5, CRP6

Unit 3: Family Life and Human Reproduction	Pacing Guide: 12 lessons	Standards 2.1.8.PGD.3 2.1.8.PP.1	
 What are the appropriate medical terms for the human reproductive system? What are the physical and emotional changes that happen to males and females during puberty? What are the differences and similarities between the male and female reproductive systems? What are the different methods of contraception? What are the stages of prenatal development? What are the physical effects of pregnancy on the female body? 	 Enduring Understandings Understanding puberty helps to facilitate the emotional transition from childhood to adolescence. Responsible actions regarding sexual behavior impact the health of oneself and others. Caring for the reproductive systems contributes to living a healthy life Prenatal care can lead to a healthy pregnancy and health child There are many factors that affect social, emotional, and financial challenges during parenthood. 	2.1.8.PP.2 2.1.8.PP.4 2.1.8.PP.5 2.1.8.SSH.9 2.1.8.SSH.10 2.1.8.SSH.11 2.1.8.CHSS.3 2.3.8.HCDM.3 2.3.8.HCDM.4 2.3.8.HCDM.5	
✓ Unit Test ✓ Human Reproduction As ✓ Parenthood Project	sessment		
Formative Assessments		Materials ● Chromebook	
Suggested Activities: Human Reproductive Sys MS Birth Control Present 		Differentiation for Diverse Learners	
 Contraceptives Lessons Parent Readiness Activity 		Special Education/504: Provide students with essential vocabulary Re-teaching and review Graphic organizers Scaffolding of assignments Guided questions and note taking Provide an outline for	

			writing assessments
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		•	Provide copies of presentations and notes Extended time on assignments
Suggested Materials • Health Journal	Suggested Websites • Advocates for Youth MS • Middle Schoolers - Repro		System

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