



FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Health and Safety are priorities of Fayetteville Public Schools, and we value initiatives and programs promoting wellness. As part of our on-going effort to provide excellent health services to our students, families, faculty, and staff, FPS, in cooperation with the Arkansas Department of Education Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, has implemented the Coordinated School Health Initiative.

Following The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model, Fayetteville Public Schools emphasizes the relationship between educational attainment and health, by putting the child at the center of a system designed to support both. Research shows that the health of students is linked to their academic achievement. Through partnerships with health agencies, parents, and community members who support the health and academic achievement of our students, we can build a healthy, safe, engaging, supportive, and encouraging learning environment.

The CDC has identified interrelated components for effective Coordinated School Health Programs aligned with the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model:

- Health Education
- Health Services
- Nutrition Environment and Services
- Physical Education and Physical Activity
- Social and Emotional Environment
- Physical Environment
- Employee Wellness
- Family Engagement
- Community Involvement
- Counseling, Psychological and Social Services

Along with community partners, FPS meets quarterly to plan and implement health initiatives in our schools and community. This group, School Nutrition and Physical Activity Advisory Board meets on the following dates:

- September 26, 2023
- November 14, 2023
- February 6, 2024
- April 9, 2024

If you would like to learn more about Coordinated School Health, or find out how you can be involved with the FPS School Nutrition and Physical Activity Advisory Board, I'd love to hear from you!

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