## Promoting Physical Activity in School Settings





## Today's Topics

- 1. AIM: What is it and how does it work?
- 2. PE Academy: What is it and how does it work?
- 3. Future Directions
- 1. Q&A

















## The AIM Process (Roadmap)

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Assess healthy eating and physical activity in our school...

Meeting 1
"Learning the
Process"

Meeting 2
"Analyzing the Needs"

Identify changes based on best practices...

Meeting 3
"Finding Solutions"

Meeting 4
"Choosing Healthy
Eating Changes"

Meeting 5
"Choosing Physical
Activity Changes"

Make it happen....

Meeting 6
"Planning for Action"

Meeting 7
"Developing
Strategies"

Meeting 8
"Updating Plans"

Meeting 9

"Checking our Progress" Meeting 10
"Moving Forward"

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## Helping 4<sup>th</sup> graders be active at recess







## **Playground Campaigns**











## Playground designed to maximize physical activity

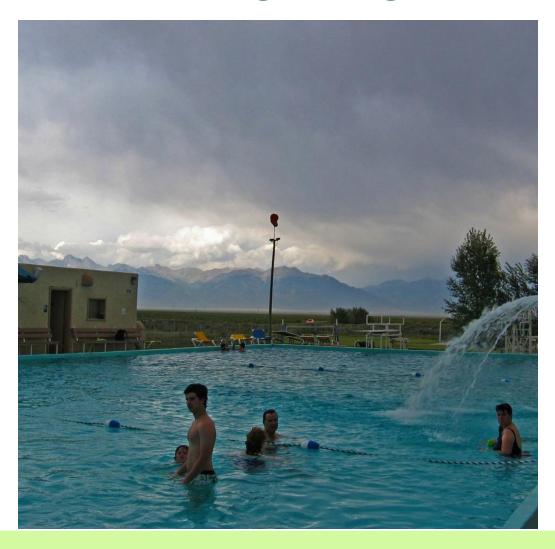








## **CAIM** Swimming Program







## Playground Storage/ Classroom Chair









## **Increasing PE time through** CATM hiring new staff



Principal said, "We have been doing it all wrong. Removing physical activity to add minutes to academics was self defeating".





### How AIM works...

#### **Train AIM Facilitators**







#### **Assemble School Taskforce**



## **ASSESS**



### Conduct Needs & Assets Assessment

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### **Elementary School Environment and Policy Survey**

#### Sample Cover Letter:

- Generic cover letter 2011
- Generic cover letter-principal

#### Sample Surveys:

- Module 1: Principal
- Module 2: Foodservice Staff
- Module 3: Physical Education Teacher



#### **SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT & POLICY SURVEY:**

Sample School RESULTS AT A GLANCE (HEALTHY EATING)

Breakfast Best Practices	A La Carte Best Practice	
USDA program	Not to Serve a la carte items	
Served after school starts		
Served in classroom	Outside Cafeteria Best Practices	
Time to eat >10 minutes	No Vending Machine	
Healthy Beverages Served	No School Store	
Fruits/Vegetables Served	Policy: Healthy Food at Parties	
High sugar items Not Served	Policy: Healthy Food at Events	
	Not to Serve a la carte items	
Lunch Best Practices	Policy: Healthy Fundraising	
Offer System vs. Serve		
Fruit/Veg Front of Lunch Line	Policies/Practices	
Offer Salad bar Every day	No Food as Reward	
2+ Fruits/Vegetables Served	No Unhealthy Advertising	
2+ Whole grains Served	Recess Before Lunch	
Time to eat >20 minutes	Promotion of Healthy Eating	
Monitor Encouragement	Government Programs	



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## **IDENTIFY**





### **Identify Specific Outcomes**



Daily Recommendations for Children's Diet and Physical Activity

Remember! Most students eat 2 out of their 3 main meals and spend about 35 hours a week in school!

Daily Recommendations for	AT SCHOOL, students should have	Examples at School
GRAINS 6 Oz Per Day (1/2 of Which are Whole Grain)	4 Oz of Grains (1/2 of which are Whole Grain)	1 slice of Whole Wheat Bread=1 oz 1 8" Flour Tortilla=2 oz 1/2 Cup Oatmeal=1 oz
VEGETABLES 2.5 Cups Per Day	1.75 Cups of Vegetables Per Day	1 Cup of baby carrots= 1 cup Corn served in a 6" bowl= ½ cup Black Beans served in a 6" bowl= ½ cup
<b>FRUITS</b> 1.5 Cups Per Day	1 Cup of Fruit Per Day	1 Large banana= 1 cup 1 8 oz. Glass of Orange Juice=1 cup About 50 grapes= 1,5 cups
<b>DAIRY</b> 3 Cups Per Day	2 Cups of Milk Per Day	1 8 oz Milk Carton=1 cup 1 8 oz. Cup of Yogurt=1 cup 1/3 Cup of Cheddar Cheese=1 cup
PROTEIN 5 Oz Per Day	3.5 Oz of Protein Per Day	1 Small Chicken Breast Half=3 oz. 6 Thin Slices of Ham=2 oz. 25 Almonds=1 oz.
60 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (of which students should be engaged in vigorous physical activity at least ½ the total time)	At least 30 minutes of PE per day     At least 30 minutes of recess per day     Daily classroom activity breaks     After school activity opportunities	Using evidence-based PE curriculum such as SPARK or CATCH. Recess with plenty of equipment and activity choices. Classroom activity breaks using Take 10 Competitive and Non-Competitive After School Opportunities (peewee sports, yoga, dancing)





## Identify Best Practices to Implement



Best Practices for Promoting Healthy Eating and Physical Activity in Elementary Schools

#### INCREASING HEALTHY EATING

#### Items to Offer in Meal Line

- Serve fresh fruits, whole grains, and a greater variety of vegetables for breakfast as opposed to sugary items.
- 2. Provide more fruit and vegetable choices at lunch.
- 3. Increase availability of healthy items in a la carte; remove unhealthy items.
- 4. Offer safe, free and well-maintained drinking water fountains or dispensers during school meals as well as throughout the school day.
- 5. Establish a school garden and serve fruits and vegetables from the garden at school lunch.
- 6. Offer a fruit and vegetable as a mid-morning school snack, at a low cost to parents.

#### Items NOT to Offer in Meal Line

- 1. No French fries.
- 2. No dessert items.
- 3. No a la carte items.

#### **Cafeteria Practices**

- 1. Place fruits and vegetables at the front of the lunch line.
- 2. Use offer system rather than serve.
- Have food service staff provide verbal encouragement to students to choose and consume fruits and vegetables.
- 4. Have students promote lower fat items sold in a la carte.
- 5. Conduct taste tests in lunchroom.
- 6. Use a nutrient-based meal plan system rather than food-based plans.
- 7. Lower the price of fresh fruit and vegetables (e.g., baby carrots) in a la carte.
- 8. Use self-service bars, such as a salad bar, for fruits and vegetables.
- Use prepackaged containers (e.g., baby carrots with low fat dressing) and commercial products as opposed to placing food items in plastic cups and using plastic wrap.

#### **Meal Scheduling**

1. Schedule at least 10 minutes for eating breakfast.

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#### INCREASING HEALTHY EATING - CONTINUED

#### Meal Scheduling cont.

- 2. Schedule breakfast to occur in the classroom, AFTER school starts.
- 3. Schedule recess to occur before lunch.
- 4. Schedule at least 20 minutes for eating lunch after being seated.

#### Food Policies (e.g. foods allowed in cafeteria from home have to meet minimal nutritional requirements)

 School has policy that prohibits students from bringing in foods of minimal nutritional value for lunch (e.g. soda pop, Cheetos).

#### **Nutrition Programs**

- 1. Participate in farm to school programs
- 2. Participate in government fruit and vegetable programs
- Increase the amount of fresh fruits and vegetables made available to schools through commodities program

#### **Vending Machines**

- 1. Remove vending machine.
- 2. Increase availability of healthy items in vending machines; remove unhealthy items.
- Lower the price of low-fat snacks to increase sales. Lower it just enough (like 25%) to get people to choose the healthier snack without encouraging excessive consumption.
- 4. Promote low fat snacks using promotional signs.
- 5. Involve children in the promotion of lower fat items.

#### School Store

- 1. Remove school store and/or snack bar.
- 2. Removing sweetened beverages in school stores.
- 3. Increase availability of healthy items in school store and remove unhealthy items.

#### Food Policies and Practices Outside the Cafeteria

- Use student rewards that promote health by giving out a non-food item or activities (e.g., pedometers, extra 5 minutes for recess).
- Establish a "Healthy Food Zone" policy in which only foods and beverages meeting minimal nutritional requirements are allowed on campus. This means that soda pop and high fat snacks such as Cheetos would not be allowed in the school.
- Use fundraising activities that use only healthy foods, involve physical activity or sell nonfood items

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## **MAKE IT HAPPEN**





#### SCHOOL NAME HERE

#### **Identifying Action Steps & Resources**

#### **Healthy Eating or Physical Activity Change Here:**

Remember to include the following:

- 1. Approval for the change.
- 2. Buy in from key stakeholders.
- 3. Person responsible completing each step.
- 4. Communicating the change to school community.

STEPS	Who is responsible for completing this step?	What internal resources do they need (knowledge, skills, confidence etc.)?	What external resources do they need (money, support, etc.)?	When does this need to be accomplished?	STATUS
1.					
2.					
3.					



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To date, AIM has led to the implementation of over 100 evidence-based changes in rural Colorado.



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#### School-Based Health

#### In the News

The Rocky Mountain Prevention Research Center conducts research in partnership with schools and communities focusing on the promotion of social and physical environments that support active, healthy lifestyles. Center expertise is especially strong on issues including school nutrition, physical activity, youth engagement, and school environments and policies.

Follow the below links for more information on current school-based projects.

#### The Working Together Project

The Culture of Wellness in Preschools

**HELM: Healthy Eaters, Lifelong Movers** 

CHAMP: Coordinated Health Assessment and Management Program

#### Survey Results



San Luis Valley Community Health Survey: Results



Faith-Based African American Health Survey: Results

#### PAPRN

The Physical Activity Policy Research Network (PAPRN) studies the effectiveness of policies that influence physical activity in communities and is comprised of university researchers and community leaders across the United States.

#### **FLM**

The Healthy Eaters, Lifelong Movers (HELM) project continues work with 46 K-12 schools in the San Luis Valley and is expanding the program's reach to 73 schools in southeastern Colorado.





#### COPHPBRN

Colorado Public Health Practice-Based Research Network

The COPHPBRN identifies relevant questions and links them with rigorous research methods applied within actual practice settings. Read more.





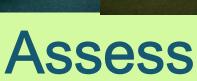
### **A Community-University Partnership**













Review data on physical education in the San Luis Valley

## Identify

- 1. Review evidence-based PE curricula
- 2. Review PE guidelines (e.g., NASPE, state standards)









### Roadmap to lifelong physical activity

Role of School Boards and Superintendents: Allocate financial resources to support high quality and quantity of PE

To do this, school boards and superintendents need to understand link between activity, academic achievement, and healthy lifestyles

#### School Boards:

#### Personal Determinants

- Understand how PE can enhance student learning and health
- Understand importance of advocating for high quality K-12 PE programs

#### External Determinants

- Colorado Association of School Boards provides training on PE advocacy
- Colorado Department of Education creates accountability mechanisms for PE
- Community supports students being physically educated

#### Superintendents:

#### Personal Determinants

- Understand what PE teachers need/do/represent
- Understand role as essential figure in advocating for quality PE

#### External Determinants

- State and/or federal government provides resources to implement wellness initiatives (PE, nutrition)
- Colorado Department of Education holds districts accountable for quality PE
- Colorado Association of School Executives provides training on link between physical activity and academic achievement

Role of K-12 SLV Principals: Set schedules that meet or exceed NASPE recommended quantity of PE; Ensure that quality PE instruction is delivered; Support the training and professional development of PE teachers

To do this, principals need support from the school board, superintendent, and PE teacher. Principals need to understand the positive role PE can play in academic achievement and healthy lifestyles. They also need to allocate resources to support training.

#### Personal Determinants

- Understand the contribution of PE to student learning.
- Understand that PE teachers should be regarded as academic equals to classroom teachers
- Understand the differences between a PE teacher and coach when hiring
- Foster mutually beneficial relationships between classroom and PE teachers
- Understand how to set a PE teaching schedule aligned with best practices
- Understand importance of professional development for PE teachers
- Understand how to evaluate PE teachers' effectiveness

#### External Determinants

- Superintendent and school board support high quality PE.
- Adams State College trains high quality PE teachers
- Professional development opportunities available for PE teachers (i.e., workshops, conferences)

Role of PE Teachers: Deliver high quality PE using the latest best practices

To do this, PE teachers need support from principals, class teachers, and PE master teachers; high quality curricula; prior and ongoing training and professional development opportunities; expert feedback on teaching.

#### Personal Determinants

- Possess passion, joy, and inspiration as a PE role model
- Skilled in best practices via conferences, PE journals, policies
- Understand how to advocate for PE program
- Desire to be a master teacher

#### External Determinants

- District/school administrators and classroom teachers value PE teachers' contribution to student learning
- Parents support PE teachers
- School budgets support equipment and professional development
- Master PE teachers serve as role models and provide professional development
- Adams State College serves as a resource for evidence-based professional development

Role of Classroom Teachers: Support PE program by integrating movement into classroom

To do this, classroom teachers need support from principals and PE teachers to learn how to integrate movement into curriculum.

#### Personal Determinants

- Knowledge of integrating movement into class activities
- Self-confidence to integrate movement into class activities
- Outcome expectations that movement will lead to enhanced learning

#### External Determinants

- PE teachers and classroom teachers provide training
- Principal provides support and values movement in classroom

Role of K-12 SLV Students:

Demonstrate skills related to lifelong physical activity

To do this, students need high quality PE instruction and support from families to be active.

#### Personal Determinants

- Understand importance of getting 30-60 minutes of daily physical activity
- Value participating fully in PE
- Possess positive attitudes about PE and skills to be active
- Possess self-efficacy to be physical active during lifespan

#### External Determinants

- Highly skilled PE teachers deliver evidence-based PE program and develop students' self-efficacy for life-long physical activity
- Administrators, teachers, and parents are active role models
- Facilities and equipment maximize participation and learning
- Parents promote physical activity at home
- Community promotes wellness and offers programs for kids (this will be done through a partnership with Ligged) and other public health initiatives)

#### Goals for All Students Graduating from SLV High Schools:

- Enjoy physical activity and possess skills to be active in adult years
- Meet Colorado
   Department of
   Education PE standards
- Meet national daily recommendations for physical activity
- Maintain a healthy weight and good health status



## Make it Happen

#### **PE Academy Components**





#### Rubric for High Quality PE

Effective

HEALTHY EATERS LIFELONG MOVERS

Use this rubric to assess PE teacher's effectiveness in planning, instruction and professionalism.

Ineffective = Indicator is not present nor consistent with basic quality instruction

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Highly Effective = Indicator is present and exceeds basic quality instruction

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## San Luis Valley Physical Education Academy

\$1,868,104 (covered both the PE Academy and AIM)



3 years

47 K-12 schools across 14 school districts

9,545 Students

30 Principals

40 PE teachers





## Defining High Quality Physical Education

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2. MANAGEMENT	<ol><li>Teacher ensures that students' transition from one activity to the next require minimal use of time (e.g., stations, bathroom/water, enter/exit, student attire)</li></ol>				
Z	Teacher groups students in a way that:				
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	-promotes student success				
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	Teacher's management practices promote enjoyment of physical activity (i.e., exercise is not used as a punishment)				

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Teacher feedback is constructive and results in student learning (i.e., positive behavior, performance, understanding)				

## Contributing Resources

- NASPEAppropriatePractices
- Pangrazi Dynamic Physical Education series
- Colo. Dept. of Education
- SPARK
- EducatorExperience

	Indicators	Ineffective	Partially	Effective	High
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E	Teacher promotes positive student self-concept through differentiated instruction				
4. LEARNING	<ol><li>Teacher ensures that the PE classroom environment is inclusive of all students</li></ol>				
4. LEARNING ENVIRONMENT	Teacher ensures that the PE classroom environment is reflective of multiple cultures (i.e., language, activities, music, celebrations, and classroom décor)				
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5. N	Teacher ensures that all students engage in moderate to vigorous physical activity (MVPA) at least 50% of class time	less than 35%	less than 50%	50%	greater 50%
5. MOVEMENT	Teacher's management procedures (e.g., roll call, water breaks, transitions) encourage movement				
$\Xi$	Teacher utilizes warm-up activities that require MVPA				
EN.	Teacher utilizes activities that integrate a range of whole body movement opportunities				
_	5.Teacher promotes physical activity:				
	-In class -Out of class				
	*Out of class				
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» KE	Teacher provides adequate frequency and duration of skill instruction/practice				
LL INSTRUCT ASSESSMENT	Teacher differentiates skill instruction and practice to progressively challenge each student's developmental level				
$\Xi$	Teacher's assessment directly affects instruction and goal-setting				
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ENT	Teacher utilizes formative and summative measures to assess student skills, fitness, and knowledge				
6. SKILL INSTRUCTION & ASSESSMENT	measures to assess student skills,				
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## Rubric for High Quality PE & Corresponding Performance Rubrics

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Performance Rubrics guide both Teacher & Principal Intervention

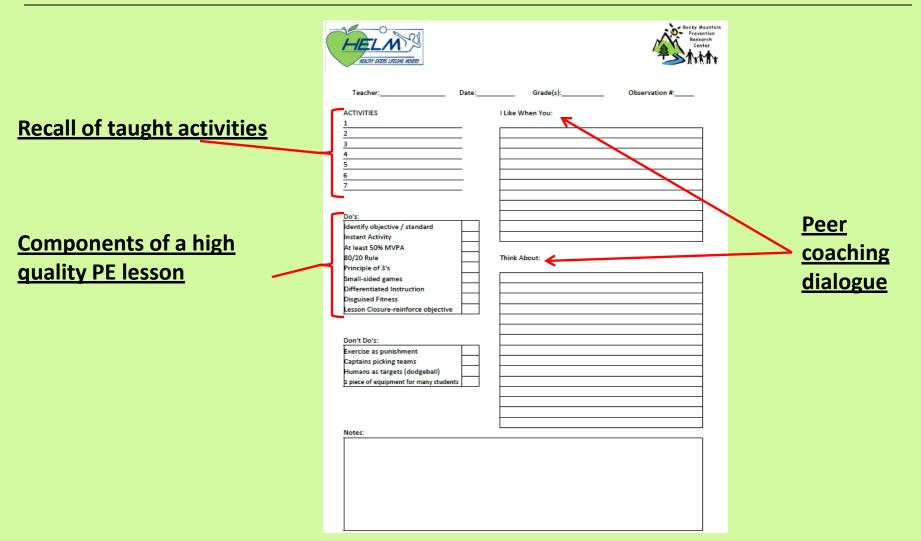




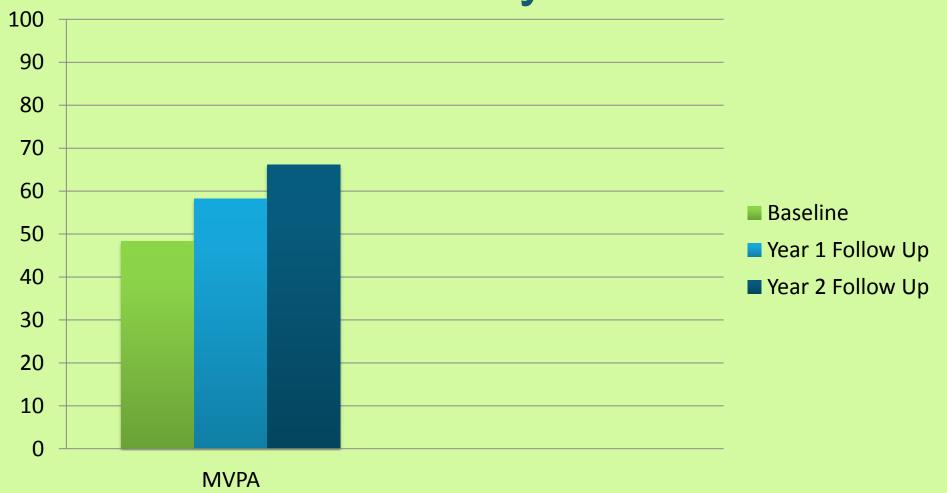




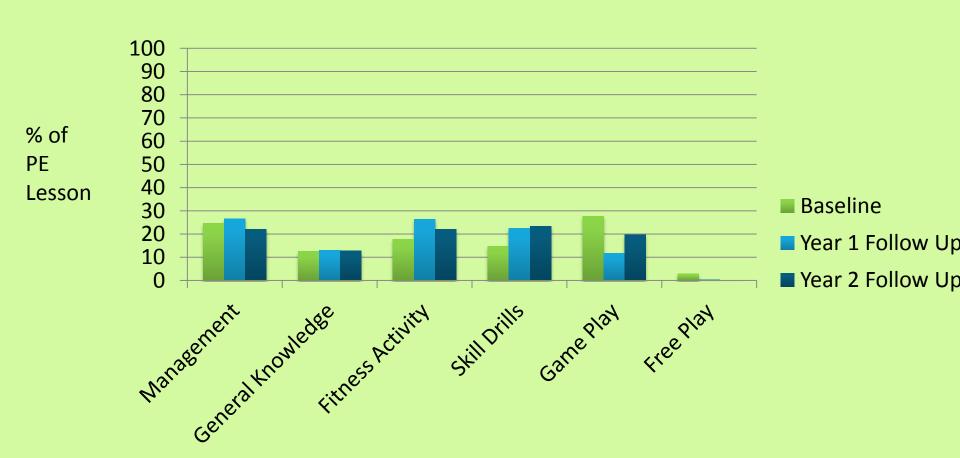
## Site-visits 30 minute post-conference



# Did the PE Academy lead to more moderate to vigorous physical activity?



## Did the PE Academy lead to higher quality instruction?





# Why has the PE Academy worked to get Best Practices into Communities?



### Healthy Eaters, Lifelong Movers 2 Nov 2013-Nov 2016



- 2013-14
  - Establish steering committees to create AIM and PE Academy action plans in southeast CO
- 2014-15 and 2015-16
  - Deliver AIM to 25 elementary schools in southeastern CO
  - Deliver AIM to 15 middle schools in San Luis Valley
  - Deliver PE Academy to 73 schools



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