Unit Title: Communication is the Key

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## Colorado 21st Century Skills

- **Critical Thinking and Reasoning:** Thinking Deeply, Thinking Differently
- **Information Literacy:** Untangling the Web
- **Collaboration:** Working Together, Learning Together
- **Self-Direction:** Own Your Learning
- **Invention:** Creating Solutions

## Unit Titles

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<th>How do you effectively communicate with trusted adults about significant health decisions? (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO. a;IQ.3)</th>
<th>Why are positive relationships important throughout your life? (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO.a,b;IQ.1,3)</th>
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<td>How do peer relationships change throughout a person’s life? (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO.b;iQ.1,RA.2)</td>
<td>Who are the most trusted adults in your life?</td>
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<td>Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each others’ boundaries. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO. a;iQ.3)</td>
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<td>Sexual health decisions and activities should reflect and maintain personal physical, social, and emotional boundaries and beliefs. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-EO.b;iQ.2;N.2)</td>
<td>What are some of the physical, social and emotional impacts of adolescent sexual activity? (CH09-GR.6-S.2-EO.b;iQ.2;N.2)</td>
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<td>Risky sexual behavior may increase the likelihood of an unintended pregnancy and/or the chances of contracting HIV/AIDS or sexually transmitted infections (CH09-GR.6-S.2-EO. c)</td>
<td>Why is it important to learn about sexual issues and how infections can have long term impacts to a person’s overall health? (CH09-GR.6-S.3-EO.c,d;N.1)</td>
<td>How can commercials, movies and friends influence my thoughts and behavior about sexual activity and relationships? (CH09-GR.6-S.3-EO.a,b;RA.1)</td>
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### Critical Content:
**My students will Know...**
- The benefits of healthy relationships. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO.a)
- The influence of peer relationships during adolescence (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO.b)
- Sexual feelings common to young adolescents. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.a)
- Possible physical, social and emotional impacts of adolescent sexual activity. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.b)
- HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), or unintended pregnancy risks. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.c)
- Clear expectations, boundaries and personal safety strategies. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.d)

### Key Skills:
**My students will be able to (Do)...**
- Differentiate between having sexual feelings and acting on them. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.a)
- Understand the importance of healthy peer relationships. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.2-EO.a;IQ.3)
- Demonstrate how to communicate clear expectations, boundaries and personal expectations. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.d)
- Identify unhealthy behaviors that place a person at risk for STIs, HIV/AIDS or unintended pregnancies. (CH09-GR.6-S.2-GLE.3-EO.c)

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**Critical Language:** includes the Academic and Technical vocabulary, semantics, and discourse which are particular to and necessary for accessing a given discipline.

**EXAMPLE:** A student in Language Arts can demonstrate the ability to apply and comprehend critical language through the following statement: "Mark Twain exposes the hypocrisy of slavery through the use of satire."

A student in __________ can demonstrate the ability to apply and comprehend critical language through the following statement(s):

- It is my responsibility to make healthy decisions regarding peer relationships, sexual activity and personal boundaries that will have short term and long term effects on my life.

**Academic Vocabulary:** Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs

**Technical Vocabulary:** Sexually Transmitted Infections, Health, HIV/AIDS
## Unit Description:

This unit examines healthy relationships through the lens of decision making, communication, and self-advocacy. Students will learn that setting boundaries and clear expectations play a critical role in developing healthy relationships and through this, they will evaluate how good decision making reflects and maintains physical, social, and emotional boundaries and beliefs. Assessing one’s risk behaviors and developing safety strategies may reduce consequences such as unintended pregnancy, contracting sexually transmitted infections (STI’s), and HIV/AIDS. Additionally, students will identify key support systems in their school, community, and personal lives that may be able to be advocates and resources.

The unit concludes with students assuming the role of a “game master” to create a state of the art game that analyzes the benefits of positive communication, sets clear expectations and boundaries, evaluates risk behaviors with unintended consequences, and determines benefits of adult support/guidance.

### Considerations:

Teachers know their students and their social/emotional/economic challenges leading to the teacher being the best decision maker regarding how deep to go with the sensitive topic of setting and creating boundaries. Additionally, teachers need to be familiar with their district’s policies on sexual education and should keep the district’s guidelines under consideration when determining lessons. Since many districts require parent consent to teach sexual education, it is always best practice to advise parents of sensitive issues and provide opportunities to review health education curricula and resources.

Throughout the unit teachers will be setting up role plays for student learning. Teachers should be familiar with key components of setting up role play.

- [http://www.mindtools.com/CommSkll/RolePlaying.htm](http://www.mindtools.com/CommSkll/RolePlaying.htm) (Role play to rehearse for difficult situations)
- [http://iteslj.org/Techniques/Kodotchigova-RolePlay.html](http://iteslj.org/Techniques/Kodotchigova-RolePlay.html) (6 steps of Role Play)

## Unit Generalizations

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## Performance Assessment: The capstone/summative assessment for this unit.

### Claims:

(1) Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each other’s boundaries.

### Stimulus Material:

You and your group of peers will become “Game Masters” to create a game that focuses on healthy relationships and how good communication and decision making are important in setting boundaries and bringing favorable outcomes for life. These games (e.g. board, video, Jeopardy, etc.) will include elements of risk behaviors, consequences, communication, boundary setting, belief systems, elements of the decision making model, and adult support/advocacy. Your group will partner with another group to play each team’s game.
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**Product/Evidence:**
(Expected product from students)

Students will work in teams to produce a game that synthesizes key elements of communication in healthy relationships. Games must include:
- communication skills
- setting boundaries
- risk behaviors (unintended pregnancy, HIV/AIDS or Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STIs))
- consequences
- belief systems
- adult support/advocacy

http://rubistar.4teachers.org/index.php?screen=ShowRubric&rubric_id=2547711& (possible game rubric)

**Differentiation:**
(Multiple modes for student expression)

Students may:
- Create alternative products (e.g. brochure, comic strips, paper on personal connection to a healthy relationship, etc.)
- Adapt a board game with modified questions

**Texts for independent reading or for class read aloud to support the content**

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<td><strong>Petalwink Makes a Friend</strong> by Angela Sage Larsen (Lexile level 780)</td>
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<td><strong>The Code</strong> by Mawi Asgedom (lexile 850L)</td>
<td><strong>When Zachary Beaver Came to Town</strong> by Kimberly Willis Holt (Lexile level 700)</td>
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<td><strong>Less Stress = More Success</strong> by Susanna Palomares, Diane Schilling (Lexile range 800-1000)</td>
<td><strong>Daily Reflections of Highly Effective Teens</strong> by Stephen and Sean Covey (Lexile level 850)</td>
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<td><strong>Self-Advocacy: The Ultimate Teen Guide</strong> by Cheryl Gerson Tuttle, JoAnn Augeri Silva (Lexile range 800-1200)</td>
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<td><strong>Communication Skills for Working with Children</strong> by Pat Petrie (Lexile range 700-800)</td>
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<td><strong>Every Kid’s Guide to Handling Disagreements</strong> by Joy Berry (Lexile range 565-1165)</td>
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**Ongoing Discipline-Specific Learning Experiences**

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**Prior Knowledge and Experiences**

It is assumed sixth grade students will have prior knowledge of decision making skills, and communication development. However all students have various life experiences with family friends and community, leading to different perceptions of healthy relationships and risky behaviors.

**Learning Experience # 1**

The teacher may review skills of communication so students can process their own abilities to use ‘I’ messages, active listening, and personal assertiveness.

**Generalization Connection(s):** Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each other’s boundaries

**Teacher Resources:**
- [http://www.ket.org/education/guides/selfmanagement/selfmanagement_prog2.pdf](http://www.ket.org/education/guides/selfmanagement/selfmanagement_prog2.pdf) (Relationship and communication skills and activities)
- [https://www2.cortland.edu/dotAsset/c1a635f6-a099-4ede-8f15-79b86e31088.pdf](https://www2.cortland.edu/dotAsset/c1a635f6-a099-4ede-8f15-79b86e31088.pdf) (Communication activities, icebreakers, and exercises)
- [http://www.asdk12.org/MiddleLink/AVB/implement/](http://www.asdk12.org/MiddleLink/AVB/implement/) (I and you messages under lesson5)
Student Resources: [http://www.cdc.gov/bam/](http://www.cdc.gov/bam/) (CDC BAM Body and Mind)

Assessment: Students will create a role play that depicts healthy communication skills (e.g. ‘I’ messages, active listening, and personal assertiveness) and perform the role play for the class.

Differentiation: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding.)

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Critical Content:

- The benefits of healthy relationships

Key Skills:

- Demonstrate how to communicate clear expectations, boundaries and personal expectations

Critical Language:

- Relationships, Communication, Boundaries

### Learning Experience # 2

The teacher may facilitate a discussion about healthy relationships so students can identify the influences and benefits of relationships in their lives.

Generalization Connection(s):

Teacher Resources:

- [http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/healthy_relationships.pdf](http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/healthy_relationships.pdf) (Healthy Relationships Lesson Plans)
- [http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/healthy_relationships.pdf](http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/healthy_relationships.pdf) (Healthy relationship activities and information)
- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jx9_nuTrASE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jx9_nuTrASE) (Healthy relationship video, role playing teachers, use with unhealthy video)
- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SB9X9XQO_hM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SB9X9XQO_hM) (Unhealthy relationship video, role playing teachers, use with healthy video)

Student Resources:

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ATcdHSHFEq4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ATcdHSHFEq4) (Healthy relationship video)
- [http://girlshealth.gov/relationships/healthy/index.html](http://girlshealth.gov/relationships/healthy/index.html) (Girls’ health building healthy relationships)

Assessment: Students will watch two different videos, one depicting a healthy relationship and the other depicting an unhealthy relationship.
After viewing videos, students will identify elements of communication they observed. Then they will evaluate which scenario reinforces healthy communication and write a paragraph explaining how positive communication benefits and influences healthy relationships.

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<td>Students may create a blog or post to a social media site about healthy relationships</td>
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<td>The teacher may provide scenario of relationships</td>
<td>Students may view a variety of scenarios of relationships and identify components that are healthy</td>
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**Critical Content:**

- The benefits of healthy relationships
- The influence of peer relationships

**Key Skills:**

- Understand the importance of healthy peer relationships

**Critical Language:**

Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs, Health

**Learning Experience # 3**

The teacher may introduce examples of risky behaviors (e.g. unsupervised time with a boy/girl, going to someone’s house, inappropriate body contact, smoking and drinking, etc.) so students can identify key elements of boundaries leading to physical, social, and emotional wellbeing.

**Generalization Connection(s):**

Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each other’s’ boundaries

**Teacher Resources:**

- [http://www.kellybear.com/TeacherArticles/TeacherTip21.html](http://www.kellybear.com/TeacherArticles/TeacherTip21.html) (Teaching students to say no)

**Student Resources:**

- [http://girlshealth.gov/substance/drugs/sayno.html](http://girlshealth.gov/substance/drugs/sayno.html) (Teaching girls to say no)
- [http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/stopteendui/teens/stop/yourself/develop-refusal-skills.cfm](http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/stopteendui/teens/stop/yourself/develop-refusal-skills.cfm) (Refusal skills)

**Assessment:**

Students will be given examples of scenarios illustrating situations of risky behaviors associated with physical, social and emotional health. They will categorize each scenario to identify which component of health it falls under. Then students will do a pair/share to discuss why they placed scenarios under that component of health and what decisions and boundaries a person
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#### Examples scenarios:
- Your friend’s parents are giving you a ride to school. When you get in the car you can’t find the seatbelt you....
- A classmate asks to copy your homework, you....
- Your friend tells you they are feeling suicidal and asks you not to tell anyone, you....
- Your friends bring some alcohol to a social gathering and invite you to try some, you...
- Your date wants to kiss you at the movie theater, you...
- Your friend of the opposite sex wants you to come to their house when their parents aren’t home, you...
- Your neighbors are out of town and have asked you to watch their house, when you’re at their house you feel very uncomfortable, you....

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### Critical Content:
- Possible physical, social and emotional impacts of adolescent sexual activity

### Key Skills:
- Understand the importance of healthy peer relationships

### Critical Language:
Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs

### Learning Experience # 4

The teacher may introduce the concept of how risky behaviors can lead to undesired outcomes so students can reflect on possible consequences that can impact physical, social and emotional wellbeing.

### Generalization Connection(s):
Risky sexual behavior may increase the likelihood of an unintended pregnancy and/or the chances of contracting HIV/AIDS or sexually transmitted infections

### Teacher Resources:
- [https://www.mindmup.com/#m:new](https://www.mindmup.com/#m:new)  (Graphic organizer creator)
- [http://www.k12.wa.us/hivsexualhealth/pubdocs/knowgrades5-6.pdf](http://www.k12.wa.us/hivsexualhealth/pubdocs/knowgrades5-6.pdf)  (HIV lessons and refusal skills)
- [http://www.srcp.org/for_some_parents/developmental_disabilities/activities_to_use_with_your_child/decisionDD.html](http://www.srcp.org/for_some_parents/developmental_disabilities/activities_to_use_with_your_child/decisionDD.html)  (Decision making model with scenario worksheet)
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**Student Resources:**

- [http://www.srcp.org/for_some_parents/developmental_disabilities/activities_to_use_with_your_child/decisionDD.html](http://www.srcp.org/for_some_parents/developmental_disabilities/activities_to_use_with_your_child/decisionDD.html) (Decision making model with scenario worksheet)
- [http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/stopteendui/teens/stop/yourself/develop-refusal-skills.cfm](http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/stopteendui/teens/stop/yourself/develop-refusal-skills.cfm) (Refusal skills)

**Assessment:** Students will be given examples of risky behaviors (e.g. smoking, drinking, sexual activity, socializing with older teens/adults, online activity, drugs, unsupervised social situations) and then analyze and discuss potential consequences. (e.g. via sticky wall, brainstorm, worksheet, flip chart, partner think-pair-share, thinking maps)

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**Critical Content:**

- HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), or unintended pregnancy risks

**Critical Language:** Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs, Sexually Transmitted Infections, Health, HIV/AIDS

**Learning Experience # 5**

The teacher may review the importance of setting boundaries and limits so students can begin to evaluate personal boundaries/limits, communication expectations and safety considerations and how these components lead to healthy relationships.

**Generalization Connection(s):**

Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each other’s’ boundaries. Sexual health decisions and activities should reflect and maintain personal physical, social, and emotional boundaries and beliefs.

**Teacher Resources:**

- [http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/peer_pressure.pdf](http://kidshealth.org/classroom/6to8/personal/growing/peer_pressure.pdf) (Peer pressure and advocacy)

**Student Resources:**

- [http://kidshealth.org/teen/your_mind/friends/peer_pressure.html](http://kidshealth.org/teen/your_mind/friends/peer_pressure.html) (Peer pressure help)
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**Assessment:**
Students will be given scenarios and will set their own personal boundaries/limits and then practice communicating these boundaries/limits and clear expectations with a partner.

**Examples scenarios:**
- Your friends are gossiping about a friend at the lunch table. They ask you for your opinion....
- Your friend's parents are giving you a ride to school. When you get in the car you can't find the seatbelt you....
- A classmate asks to copy your homework, you....
- Your friend tells you they are feeling suicidal and asks you not to tell anyone, you......
- Your friends bring some alcohol to a social gathering and invite you to try some, you...
- Your date wants to kiss you at the movie theater, you...
- Your friend of the opposite sex wants you to come to their house when their parents aren't home, you...
- Your neighbors are out of town and have asked you to watch their house, when you're at their house you feel very uncomfortable, you...

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**Critical Content:**
- Sexual feelings common to young adolescents
- Possible physical, social and emotional impacts of adolescent sexual activity
- Clear expectations, boundaries and personal safety strategies

**Key Skills:**
- Differentiate between having sexual feelings and acting on them
- Demonstrate how to communicate clear expectations, boundaries and personal expectations

**Critical Language:**
Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs

### Learning Experience # 6

The teacher may facilitate a brainstorm session on reliable adult support resources (e.g. community, counselors, family members, medical community, etc.) so students can develop a personal adult support system.

**Generalization Connection(s):**
Adults can represent important sources of reasoned advice regarding a young person’s personal decisions and relationships

**Teacher Resources:**
- [http://www.businessformtemplate.com/preview/Entry_Form](http://www.businessformtemplate.com/preview/Entry_Form) (Template for phone numbers)

**Student Resources:**
- [http://www.businessformtemplate.com/preview/Entry_Form](http://www.businessformtemplate.com/preview/Entry_Form) (Template for phone numbers)
Colorado Teacher-Authorized Sample Instructional Unit

### Assessment:
Students will create their own personal adult support contact form. (e.g. Community Agencies: suicide prevention, Planned Parenthood, mental health, medical clinics, hotlines. Personal Family and Friends: neighbors, family work numbers, coaches, and teachers.)

Students will:
- Be given a scenario
- Choose an appropriate contact from their support form
- Practice with a partner asking for help and support

Scenarios can include:
- Your friend is being bullied at school..
- Your sibling is talking about suicide..
- Your friend is feeling pressure to try marijuana..
- Your friend is experimenting with risky behavior..
- You are feeling bullied by a teacher..
- You are struggling with sexual feelings and you don’t know what to do..

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<td>Students may create a poster campaign depicting help resources to be posted throughout school</td>
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<td>Students may contact local resources; interview them about available youth services</td>
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### Critical Content:
- The benefits of healthy relationships
- Clear expectations, boundaries and personal safety strategies

### Key Skills:
- Demonstrate how to communicate clear expectations, boundaries and personal safety strategies

### Critical Language:
Decisions, Advice, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs, Support

### Learning Experience # 7
The teacher may introduce a variety of games (e.g. Monopoly, Life, Clue, Concentration Risk, Jeopardy, Press Your Luck, Who Wants to Be A Millionaire, Survivor.) so students can begin to formulate healthy relationship game creation ideas.

### Generalization Connection(s):
Healthy relationships develop when people communicate and understand each other’s boundaries. Adults can represent important sources of reasoned advice regarding a young person’s personal decisions and relationships.
### Teacher Resources:
- [http://www.ircsd.org/webpages/dyoung/game_templates.cfm](http://www.ircsd.org/webpages/dyoung/game_templates.cfm) (Game template for use in PowerPoint)
- [http://people.uncw.edu/ertzberger/msgames.htm](http://people.uncw.edu/ertzberger/msgames.htm) (Game templates)

### Student Resources:
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### Assessment:
Students will choose a game template and devise questions surrounding healthy relationships, boundaries and limits setting, consequences of risk behaviors and who and how to ask for help and support. Concepts and skills will be integrated into the development of the final performance assessment.

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### Critical Content:
- The benefits of healthy relationships
- The influence of peer relationships during adolescence
- Sexual feelings common to young adolescents
- Possible physical, social and emotional impacts of adolescent sexual activities
- HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), or unintended pregnancy risks
- Clear expectations, boundaries and personal safety strategies

### Key Skills:
- Differentiate between having sexual feelings and acting on them
- Understand the importance of healthy peer relationships
- Demonstrate how to communicate clear expectations, boundaries and personal expectations
- Identify unhealthy behaviors that place a person at risk for STIs, HIV/AIDS or unintended pregnancies

### Critical Language:
- Decisions, Advice, Behavior, Influences, Relationships, Communication, Boundaries, Beliefs, Support