



Physical Literacy Framework

A physical literacy guide for recreation and community centres



Kids needs a least **60 minutes** a day of physical activity to stay happy, healthy, and strong!

## Kids who move...

- Can focus longer
- Solve problems easier
- Improve their immune system
- Grow stronger
- Sleep better
- Feel happier
- Reduce Stress
- Improve self-esteem and confidence
- Sleep better



Children ages under the ages of 12 should focus on having fun with friends while building confidence moving in a variety of ways.

The more activities they play, the more skills they learn, and the more opportunities they'll have to participant in physical activities for life!

https://www.participaction.com/en-ca/benefits-and-guidelines/children-and-youth-age-5-to-17 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s40279-019-01099-5



See some of the common Funamenatal Movement Skills below and some suggested activities where they can learn and apply these skills! You can track your childs skills on the back of this booklet.

Movement Skill	Movement Cues	Movement Use		
Run	- Move big arms, big legs - Arms move hip to lip - Legs lift toe up, knee up	tag, soccer, rugby, basketball, softball, ball hockey, tennis, lacrosse, tennis, track and field, triathalon		
Jump and Hop	<ul> <li>Jump with two feet</li> <li>Hop with one foot</li> <li>Big arm swing, big knee bend</li> <li>Land with bent knees like sitting in a chair</li> </ul>	volleyball, football, gymnastics, skipping, hop scotch, track and field, football, badminton, baseball		
Balance	<ul> <li>Keep head up and eyes forward</li> <li>Focus on point in front of you</li> <li>or hold your belly point</li> </ul>	rowing, hiking, rock climbing, skiing, golf, kayaking, sailing, gymnastics, curling, skateboarding, luge, martial arts, skating,		
Throw	<ul> <li>Stand with feet apart (power stance)</li> <li>Step non-throwing foot forward</li> <li>Elbow back follow through</li> </ul>	Netball, baseball, basketball, rugby, goal ball, soccer, martial arts, bowling, football, softball		
Catch and Pass	<ul> <li>Show your target:</li> <li>Hands up in a diamond for high passes; low in a basket for lower passes</li> <li>Communicate and eye contact</li> </ul>	Netball, baseball, basketball, rugby, goal ball, soccer, football, softball, lacrosse, cricket		
Kick	<ul> <li>Step forward with non-kicking leg</li> <li>Swing leg back</li> <li>Kick with laces</li> <li>Follow through</li> </ul>	Soccer, rugby, kick ball, football, martial arts, futsol,		
Wheel	<ul> <li>Sit forward</li> <li>Big push: start hands at top of wheel (12:00), extend to 3:00</li> <li>Try forward, backward and alternating hands</li> </ul>	Wheelchair rugby, racing, basketball, softball, soccer, football, tennis, bowling, archery		



## Congratulations on Completing your Movement Program!

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Program:				Date:							
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	Had fun		Made	frier	nds		Built confide	nce		Worked hard	
							Other				

Notes:

Suggested Next Steps:

