Get Out & Play an Hour a Day

Illinois youth are not meeting the daily physical activity recommendation.



6-17 year olds should participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity per day¹

Only 60.7% of high school students attend daily PE class²





A typical 30 minute PE class only provides 11 minutes of physical activity³

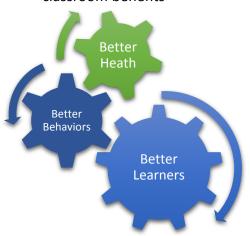


Only about 2.5 out of 10 Illinois youth meet daily physical activity recommendations⁴

Why It Matters



A quarter of Illinois youth are overweight or obese⁴ Increased physical activity provides individual and classroom benefits⁵





There are positive associations between physical fitness and standardized test scores⁵

What To Do



Reduce screen time including TV, computer games, and the internet

Encourage play at home, school, and in the community – keep it fun!





Talk to your school administrators about Pump Up PE and other school based physical activity programs

Encourage walking to school or start a walking group

