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Principal Debra Phillips
Christa McAuliffe Middle School
35 South Hope Chapel Rd
Jackson, NJ 08527

Dear Principal Phillips,

The Ocean County Health Department (OCHD) has been pleased to provide health education to many schools across our county. We are now excited to provide another platform for health education and advocacy through *OCHD's Annual Public Health Awareness Competition*. Students are invited to compete against other Ocean County students in a fun competition aimed at increasing public health awareness and challenging students to advocate for public health in their community. This competition also provides schools an opportunity to fulfill some curriculum requirements and obtain County-level recognition for the work of their students.

Our Annual Public Health Awareness Competition kicks off at the start of the New Year (please see activities document attached) with submissions due March 14th 2022. All competition submissions will be reviewed and judged by diverse OCHD staff, and winners of each category will be announced by March 28th with prizes and school certificates distributed during Public Health week (April 4th-10th). The Grand Prize winner will receive prizes, a Certificate of Achievement to be awarded before the Ocean County Board of Health on April 4th, and be recognized in local advertising. Second and third place winners will receive additional prizes as well.

The goal of the Annual Public Health Awareness Competition is to encourage Ocean County youth to become advocates of healthy lifestyles and to establish a strong meaningful understanding of public health. To participate in this year's Annual Public Health Awareness Competition, please contact the Health Education Division at 732-341-9700 ext. 7236 or by email at healthed@ochd.org.

Sincerely,

Brianna Schoeneberg

Brianna Schoeneberg, CHES
Field Representative, Health Education

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Public Health Awareness Campaign: Student Health Ambassador



Be a Health Ambassador –
show off your skills!

Join the competition to
expand your portfolio and
enter for a chance to win!

Entering is EASY

1. Check out the health topic + activity options for your grade level below.
2. Choose which activity you would like to attempt.
3. Submit your completed activity to healthed@ochd.org!

Prizes

Grand Prize Winners:

- Student Health Ambassador Hoodie
- Swag Bag
- School Certificate of Achievement
- Student Certificate of Achievement
- Local advertisement announcing 1st place

2nd and 3rd Place Winners:

- Swag Bag with differing prizes appropriate for each grade level
- Student Health Ambassador T-Shirt

Grade Level Topic + Activity Choices

- 1st – 2nd Grade: Nutrition
 - Write a Song or Poem
 - Build a Craft
- 3rd – 5th Grade: Hygiene
 - Create a Crossword Puzzle
 - Draft a Coloring Page
- 6th – 8th Grade: Communicable Disease
 - Make a Creative Poster
 - Create an Informational Brochure
- 9th – 10th Grade: Environmental Health
 - Demonstrate an Experiment
 - Design a Behavior Change Campaign
- 11th – 12th Grade: Drug & Alcohol
 - Create a Video
 - Design a Decision Making Flow Chart

Submissions due by March 14th, 2022

Winners Announced on March 28th, 2022
Award Ceremony Scheduled for April 4th to Kickoff Public Health Week!