

Healthy Schools Network Update

The grant cheques are here!

Planning grants have now been sent out to participating schools. These grants are intended to facilitate planning and implementation of inquiry projects in schools. This year, we're encouraging more student involvement in decision-making and implementation of healthy school initiatives.

Planning grants assist schools with the 'Plan, Gather Support & Act' phase of the inquiry process within the Healthy Schools BC Learning Framework. This phase is about asking, "What can we do?" and involves putting the knowledge and evidence gathered in earlier steps into action. A plan is created to address the inquiry question, necessary supports are identified (e.g. support from health partners such as the local health authority or community organizations), then the plan is put into motion to answer the inquiry question. Several great resources and tools to help with this phase of the Healthy Schools BC Learning Framework can be found here.

On a related note for participating <u>Healthy Schools Network</u> schools, we encourage you to take pictures and/or videos as you begin to implement your inquiry. As the HSN transitions (<u>click here</u> for more information on the HSN Transition Trial), we are excited to learn about your efforts through a more visually engaging means. It's also very exciting to share your inspiring work through picture and video formats.

Here are previous HSN examples of year-end reports that have been shared in picture and/or video format. Enjoy!

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