

Best Friend

SOLs:

Physical Education

Skilled Movement

- K.1 The student will demonstrate progress toward the mature form of selected locomotor, non-locomotor, and manipulative skills.
- a) Demonstrate the locomotor skills of walking, running, hopping, and jumping and landing.
- b) Demonstrate the non-locomotor movements of bending, pushing, pulling, stretching, turning, twisting, swinging, swaying, rocking, and balancing.
- e) Demonstrate moving to a beat, using basic locomotor and non-locomotor rhythmic patterns.

Movement Principles and Concepts

- K.2 The student will demonstrate use of the movement concepts of directions, levels, pathways, and effort (force and speed) while performing locomotor skills.

Personal Fitness

- K.3 The student will participate for short periods of time in moderate-to-vigorous physical activities that cause an increase in heart rate, breathing rate, and body temperature.

Responsible Behaviors

- K.4 The student will use appropriate behaviors and safe practices in physical activity settings.
- a) Demonstrate good listening skills when learning procedures and receiving instructions.
- c) Demonstrate an understanding of general and personal space.

Health

Mental Wellness / Social and Emotional Skills

- K.1 The student will identify and describe key health and safety concepts.
 - o) Describe what it means to be a friend and how to show kindness, consideration, and concern for others (i.e., self-awareness, social awareness, and relationship skills).
- K.2 The student will identify healthy decisions.
 - o) Identify strategies for making friends and how to show kindness, consideration, and concern for others, including how to cooperate and share with others.

- K.3 The student will describe and demonstrate behaviors that promote health and prevent injury and disease.
 - o) Demonstrate strategies for making friends and showing kindness, consideration, and concern for others.

Objectives/Goals

- I can describe how to be a friend.
- I can list the qualities that a good friend should have.
- I can identify opportunities and explain strategies where you can make new friends.
- I can demonstrate kindness and concern for others.

Materials

- Video of Dance *Best Friend*, by Tammy Hanna - [LINK](#)
- Music of *Best Friend*, by Sofi Tukker – feat. NERVO, the Knocks, & Alisa Ueno
- Video recording device- optional
- *PE Metrics* assessment rubric - optional
- Example rubrics provided - optional
- Student Peer Assessment - optional
- Flipgrid - optional

Lesson Steps:

Step 1 Introduction & Connections to Health Content

- Provide discussion with students about personal qualities needed to be a good friend (ex. kindness, concern, patience, accepting differences, etc.).
- Explain the importance of creating friendships and the rewards for having positive relationships with others.

Step 2 Basic Steps

- Use the linked video to lead students in learning dance.

Step 3 Practice

- Allow students to follow the practice section of the video.

Step 4 Closure

- Review the importance of being a good friend.
- Ask students to look for opportunities at school and in the community to make new friends.

Assessments

- Student performance, both formative and summative, can be measured using a rubric. The instructor may comprise their own rubric using a likert scale, the rubrics provided or rubrics in *PE Metrics*.
 - Pre - have students learn the dance with the instruction section of the video, then watch and video record students practicing.
 - Allow students to use the practice segment of the video as a warm-up or part of future lessons in your Nutrition unit.
 - After several practice sessions of the dance, record and post assess student performance
- Video recording is a valuable tool in assessment, especially when the class size is large and viewing all students at the same time is difficult. The instructor may review at their own pace, allowing for more accurate scoring.
- Creating a Flipgrid platform for students to submit performances is also another option. This is ideal for assessment when providing virtual or asynchronous instruction.
 - Create a free account with Flipgrid.com
 - Make an individual “Group” for each class. (This will help you to keep classes organized.)
 - Within the “Group” create a “Topic” for your Pre Test, and Create another “Topic” for your Post Test. Once you have created the instructions and details for one class you can use that as a template for all others to save time.
 - Application of Flipgrid can be used in class if computers are available (ex. a center or station activity), virtually or as homework asynchronously.
- Peer assessment is also another option. This can be done in student pairs with attention to specific criteria.
 - Each student has a paper that a partner completes on their performance of the dance. Partners take turns in watching the each other and complete the *Dance Peer Assessment* form
- Self assessment at the end of practice is also an option for quick feedback of student competency and affect.
 - Each student uses the *Dance Personal Assessment* form to reflect on their own performance of the dance.

Accommodations & Extensions

- During initial instruction, have students face only forward and mirror the video.
 - For novice or unconfident movers, continue to perform the dance phrase only facing forward (do not make the quarter turn counterclockwise to face a new wall).
 - When students are more confident, add the quarter turn counterclockwise to face a new wall each time.

- Place confident “leader” students on the perimeter of the dance space; right, left and behind the majority of the group. With this formation, when the dance turns to face a new direction skilled leaders will be in front to guide the group.
- Once competency is reached, the instructor may have students perform this dance at a special event (ex. PTO night, school performance, etc.).
- For student creativity and expression, have students give input on:
 - Class formation - design of dancer placement in the dance space. (ex. straight lines vertically, straight lines horizontally, staggering lines with windows, pyramid, circle, square, etc.)
 - Substitute one or two dance moves in the phrase, replace with other movements that the students choose. You can provide choices from existing moves they already know (ex. Fortnite, jazz, line dance, etc.) or they can make their own.

Resources/References

- Notation of the Dance
 - Best Friend, Choreography by Tammy Hanna***
(Hold 4 sets of 8-counts.)
4-wall dance repeating phrase
Jump forward arms wave high, jump back arms wave low (counts 1-4, 5-8)
Right foot tap side, left foot tap side, right pivot turn, right pivot turn (counts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
Right side step, together, step, together, left side step, together, step, together (counts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)
Right step-turn, left grapevine, end with quarter turn left counter-clockwise (counts 1-4, 5-8)
- *PE METRICS: Assessing Student Performance Using the National Standards & Grade Level Outcomes K-12 for Physical Education*, SHAPE America, Human Kinetics, ISBN: 9781492526667
- Peer Assessment - [LINK](#)
- Self Assessment - [LINK](#)
- Rubric I - [LINK](#)
- Rubric II - [LINK](#)
- My Plate - <https://www.myplate.gov/>
- Flipgrid - <https://info.flipgrid.com/>