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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SHAPE America recommends school-age children accumulate at least 60 minutes and up to several hours of physical activity per day. Each bout of physical activity should be followed by cool-down stretches that help reduce soreness and avoid injury.		 National Health Observances: Fruit and Veggies – More Matters Month National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month National Yoga Awareness Month Whole Grains Month 		1 Yoga is a great way to relieve stress. Try Savasana, considered to be the hardest yoga pose! Fully relax & clear your mind.	2 Pretend! Pretend to: -Sit in a chair for 10 seconds -Shoot a basketball 10 times - Ride a horse -Be a frog -Lift a car	3 Commercial Stroll During a commercial break take a walk around your entire house. Still a commercial? Go again this time speed walking so you don't miss a thing!
4 Underhand Toss Target Practice Using an empty laundry basket or bucket, practice tossing a small object inside. Each time you make it take a step back.	5 Balloon Bounce Blow up a balloon. Can you keep the balloon in the air? For a challenge add another balloon. Try it with a partner.	6 High Knees & Stretch High knees for 30 seconds then stretch a body part. Repeat stretching a new body part each time.	7 Play Simon Says Someone is "Simon" and everyone else has to do what Simon says, but only when he/she says "Simon says" first.	8 Hop to your right bringing your left foot behind you with knees bent & body low. Repeat the movement to the left. Do for 30 seconds.	9 Crazy 8's 8 jumping jacks 8 silly shakes (just shake as silly as you can) 8 high knees 8 scissor jumps	10 Seated Forward Bend Pose Wold for 1-3 minutes breathing deeply going deeper into the pose. Rest if need.
11 Locomotor Sidewalk Along the sidewalks alternate between skipping, speed walking, and jogging.	12 Hands & Knees Balance Pose Hold for 30-60 seconds, switch sides and repeat.	13 Long Jump Pick a starting point and jump as far as you can. Try 3 different times to see how far you can go.	14 Army Crawl Lay on your stomach resting on your forearms. Crawl across the room dragging your body as if you're moving under barbed wire.	15 Do this: -Hop on one leg 30 times, switch legs -Take 10 giant steps -Walk on your knees -Do a silly dance -Sprint for 10 seconds	16 Set the Menu Talk with who takes care of you about choosing the dinner menu. Pick whole grains and veggies.	17 Play Catch Grab any kind of ball and play catch with a family member or friend. Keep your eyes on the ball and catch it with your hands not your body.
18 Family Adventure Go for a walk with your family on a trail you've never traveled before	19 Cardio and Stretch Run in place for 30 seconds then stretch your legs for 10 seconds each. Repeat 3 times. Try the Low Lunge pose.	20 Crazy 8's 8 jumping jacks 8 silly shakes (just shake as silly as you can) 8 high knees 8 scissor jumps	21 Parachute With friend or family member use a bed sheet like a parachute in PE. Lift up and down to move air underneath the sheet.	22 Low Lunge Pose Hold for 30-60 seconds, breathing deeply. Switch legs and repeat.	23 Star Jumps Jump up with your arms and legs spread out like a star. Do 10 then rest and repeat.	24 Create a Game Use your imagination and make up a game using a ball, a sock, and a jump rope.
25 Try and sprint from one end of your street to the other. Have a family member time you.	26 Family Health and Fitness Day After a healthy dinner, go outside for walk with your family. You can play I Spy or have a walking race to make it fun.	27 Vertical Jump Jump as high as you can for 30 seconds. Repeat.	28 Walking Race Pick a distance and challenge a friend to a speed walking race. No running!	29 Arm and Leg Tag A regular game of tag, but if someone touches your arm/leg you can no longer use that body part. If both legs are tagged start a new round.	30 Try Savasana again. Fully relax & clear your mind.	

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