

# **Building Community Recreation Skills**

Mentimetre 1: What is your role?/What are you hoping to learn?

## **Definition: Recreation**

Recreation is the experience that results from \_\_\_\_\_\_ participation in physical, social, intellectual, creative and spiritual pursuits that enhance individual and community \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## 4 Types of Recreation (in this presentation):

		Other	
	Recreation		Recreation
What?			
Who?			

## Mentimetre 2:

How often does your family participate in community recreation? Which types do you do the most? What is your comfort level with each type?

## **Definition: Physical Activity**

Any \_\_\_\_\_\_ of your body that results in an increased use of \_\_\_\_\_\_. This can include \_\_\_\_\_\_. This can include \_\_\_\_\_\_.



## Mentimetre 3: Benefits of Physical Activity/Participation in Recreation

## Benefits of Participation in Physical Activity (2018 ParticipAction Report Card)

- For children and youth with ADHD or ASD, even a \_\_\_\_\_\_ of physical activity can improve \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Children and youth who have ASD experience the greatest benefits in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a result of physical activity.
- Participation in physical activity/community recreation builds skill to better \_\_\_\_\_\_, increase self-\_\_\_\_\_ and maintain \_\_\_\_\_\_..... Leading to a healthier, higher
- Decreased feelings of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Higher self-\_\_\_\_\_, increased self-\_\_\_\_\_ and self-\_\_\_\_\_.

## Mentimetre 4: How much physical activity is recommended?

Your guess:

## **CESP Physical Activity Guidelines (csepguidelines.ca)**

- Toddlers and preschoolers should accumulate at least \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of physical activity at any intensity spread throughout the day
- Children 5-11 years should accumulate at least \_\_\_\_ minutes of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  intensity physical activity daily.
  - Vigorous-intensity activities at least \_\_\_\_ days per week
  - Activities that strengthen muscle and bone at least \_\_\_\_ days per week
- Youth 12-17 should accumulate at least \_\_\_\_ minutes of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_ physical activity daily
  - Vigorous-intensity activities at least \_\_\_\_ days per week
  - Activities that strengthen muscle and bone at least \_\_\_\_ days per week
- Adults (18-64) should accumulate at least \_\_\_\_ minutes of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ intensity aerobic physical activity per week, in bouts of \_\_\_\_ minutes of more.
  - It is also beneficial to add \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ strengthening activities using major muscle groups, at least \_\_\_\_ days per week.

## Mentimetre 3: Where should you find physical activity goals?

List what applies to you:



## **GETTING STARTED**

**Mentimetre 4: Does an autism diagnosis tell you which sports/activities your child will enjoy?** Your thoughts:

**Brainstorm: Family-Based Recreation Activities** List your ideas below:

Who can you get involved to support your child? List your ideas below:

#### **Other Ideas:**

- Look for low risk/\_\_\_\_\_ Opportunities
- Do an \_\_\_\_\_ with your child (or on your own)
- Connect with Program/\_\_\_\_ Coordinators
- Keep it \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Try not to \_\_\_\_\_



## **CHOOSING A COMMUNITY-BASED ACTIVITY**

	Adapted	Inclusive	Mainstream
Eligibility Criteria			
(Diagnosis-based)			
Curriculum/Structure			
Staff/Volunteers			
EXAMPLES			

## SUPPORT PROVIDED: Consider...

- Is support \_\_\_\_\_ or are support people allowed to \_\_\_\_\_?
- If support is provided:
  - At what \_\_\_\_\_?
  - How are they \_\_\_\_\_?
- REMEMBER: Your expectation may not match the \_\_\_\_\_!





## Questions to ask before registering:

Can you speak to the \_\_\_\_\_ before registering?

Is it possible to \_\_\_\_\_\_ a session? To assess what \_\_\_\_\_\_ your child might need?

Can you speak to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ in advance of the first day to provide them with some ?

Will you have opportunities to throughout the program?

Do you know any other who have tried the program?

Mentimetre 5: What other questions do you ask before registering?

## **ADVOCACY in Community Recreation**

Start with the \_\_\_\_\_

• Ask for the \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_

If you have the energy, \_\_\_\_

Always remember the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## Who can I speak to?

Sport	Municipal Recreation	



## Advocacy in Community Recreation: What do I say?

- Share your concern \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- Ask for a \_\_\_\_\_\_

Always remember the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Mentimetre 6: Reflections on Advocacy**

- Have you had to advocate to support the needs of our child in community recreation?
- How did it go? (Positive, Challenging?)
- If you could tell coaches/community recreation leaders one thing about why it is important to include individuals with autism, what would you want them to know?

## **Virtual Recreation**

Positives	Challenges	
	May require	
Get some	May not be	
Feel part of a	Not the same as	
Sometimes available	No/	

#### **Mentimetre 7: Other Virtual Recreation Options**



# Action Plan: I would like to try....

Municipal Recreation	Sport	Other Community Recreation	Family-Based Recreation

# My 3 Biggest Take Aways:

1.

2.

3.