

Save the Children Healthy Choices Site Observation Checklist

School: Healthy Choices Coordinator: Date:

The Healthy Choices Site Observation Checklist is a tool for Program Specialists and Site Supervisors to observe the program on a given day. The observer should circle the performance of best practice (middle column) and make notes (right column) for a feedback and coaching session with the Healthy Choices Coordinator (HCC). If any item does not pertain to the site you're visiting (e.g., a light meal is served instead of a healthy snack), write that in the Notes column. The observer should provide the HCC with a copy of the completed form and keep the original in his/her files.

BEST PRACTICE	PEFORMANCE OF BEST PRACTICE	NOTES
	 Fully performed 	
	 Somewhat performed 	
	 Not performed 	
Administrative Tasks		
The Healthy Choices Coordinator	FULLY PERFORMED	
records attendance.		
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
There are established rules for the	FULLY PERFORMED	
gymnasium/physical activity space		
and the children are aware of them.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
There are behavior plan for the	FULLY PERFORMED	
gymnasium/physical activity space		
and the children are aware of the	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
expectations and consequences for		
inappropriate behavior.	NOT PEFORMED	
There is a plan for addressing and	FULLY PERFORMED	
reporting injuries.		
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



The Healthy Choices Coordinator has a written physical activity session plan	FULLY PERFORMED	
for the week.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator has	FULLY PERFORMED	
a written nutrition education lesson		
plan for one day of the week.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The afterschool program bulletin board includes information about the	FULLY PERFORMED	
monthly nutrition theme.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Healthy Choices data in the online M	FULLY PERFORMED	
& E System is up to date through the	TOLET TENTONIVIED	
previous week.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Healthy Snack Time	,	
A snack is provided for all children in the afterschool program.	FULLY PERFORMED	
the arterschool program.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The snack meets Save the Children's Healthy Snack Standards.	FULLY PERFORMED	
Treating Shack Standards.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
An organized method is used for each	FULLY PERFORMED	
child to get a snack.		
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



Children are required to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before	FULLY PERFORMED	
eating the snack.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
All food allergies are properly addressed.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Children are provided with at least 10 minutes to eat their snack.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Children are assisted with food preparation (e.g., peeling an orange,	FULLY PERFORMED	
opening a water bottle) if needed.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Children are actively encouraged to eat, or at least taste, their snack.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator or another adult briefly discusses the	FULLY PERFORMED	
nutritious aspects of the snack with the children.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator or another adult discusses the nutrition	FULLY PERFORMED	
Work of the Week with the children.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



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The majority of snacks are eaten.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
All waste is disposed of properly.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Physical Activity Session		
All children in the afterschool	FULLY PERFORMED	
program participate in a 30 minute physical activity session.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
physical activity session.	SOIVIEWHAT PEFORIVIED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The physical activity space is big	FULLY PERFORMED	
enough that all children are active at the same time in a safe manner.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
the same time in a sale mainer.	30WEWHAT FEI ORWIED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The physical activity space is free from	FULLY PERFORMED	
hazards such as desks, poles, and ruts (if outside).	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator is	FULLY PERFORMED	
prepared to start physical activity with	COMENNUM DEFORMED	
the children as soon as they arrive.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The equipment is safe in that it is age-	FULLY PERFORMED	
appropriate size and weight and in	SOMEWHAT DEFORMED	
good condition.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



There is enough equipment that all children are active at the same time	FULLY PERFORMED	
without waiting for a turn.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Groups/teams are assembled in a	FULLY PERFORMED	
manner that does not require the children to pick teams.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator uses	FULLY PERFORMED	
start and stop signals that the children respond to promptly.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator gives clear directions and	FULLY PERFORMED	
explanations that the children understand and follow.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The transition(s) between activities is quick and smooth.	FULLY PERFORMED	
	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator uses games and practices that keep the	FULLY PERFORMED	
children actively engaged in	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
moderate-to-vigorous physical activity (they are breathing hard and	NOT PEFORMED	
sweating) for the majority of time.	THOTTE ON WILD	
Multiple games/activities are used so	FULLY PERFORMED	
that children do not get bored with a game/activity.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



The game(s) does not result in children being "out" for more than a	FULLY PERFORMED	
few seconds.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator	FULLY PERFORMED	
provides positive feedback to the children.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator	FULLY PERFORMED	
encourages children to make positive comments to one another and	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
intervenes if there are negative	30WEWHAT PETOKWIED	
comments or bullying.	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator	FULLY PERFORMED	
deals with behavioral issues quickly and well.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator	FULLY PERFORMED	
deals with accidents and injuries quickly and well.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
quickly and well.	SOMEWHATTETORIVED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator asks the children about their breathing	FULLY PERFORMED	
and/or heart rate at least once.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator uses	FULLY PERFORMED	
music appropriately.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



The Healthy Choices Coordinator solicits the children's feedback about	FULLY PERFORMED	
the activity(ies).	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator shows a lot of energy and enthusiasm	FULLY PERFORMED	
about physical activity.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
A large physical exertion chart is displayed in the gymnasium/physical	FULLY PERFORMED	
activity space.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
Nutrition Education Lesson (one day pe	er week) [if not conducted on the day	y of the site visit, write that in the Notes column]
All children in the afterschool	FULLY PERFORMED	
program participate in a nutrition		
education lesson during their Healthy Choices rotation.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator is	FULLY PERFORMED	
fully prepared for the lessons (e.g.,		
materials, photocopies, A/V).	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator reminds the children of the nutrition	FULLY PERFORMED	
theme for the month and/or subtheme for the week.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
Subtrictife for the week.	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator introduces the	FULLY PERFORMED	
topic/purpose/objective of the lesson.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	



Children are engaged in the lesson	FULLY PERFORMED	
through an activity/game and questions/discussion.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator connects the lesson content to the	FULLY PERFORMED	
content from previous lesson(s).	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator provides a short summary of key	FULLY PERFORMED	
topics/points/words at the end of the lesson.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator asks the children how much they enjoyed	FULLY PERFORMED	
the lesson.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
The Healthy Choices Coordinator shows a lot of energy and enthusiasm	FULLY PERFORMED	
about nutrition.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	
A large MyPlate poster is displayed in the snack room, gymnasium/physical	FULLY PERFORMED	
activity space, or hallway nearby.	SOMEWHAT PEFORMED	
	NOT PEFORMED	