

## Dr. Kate Kalnes

Huntingdon College: BA Exercise Science

Miami University: MS Exercise Science

Trinity Christian College: Teaching Cert

Walden University: Doctorate of Education

CSCS- Strength and Conditioning!

9th year at New Trier High School: Kinetic Wellness

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Co-founder Practical Kinesiology Company (PKCO)

2001-present: Volleyball Coach- boys and girls







Receive more opportunities to participate

...would allow females to focus on activities more suited for them...

Higher rate of teacher to student verbal interactions

Females were more engaged, felt happier, and received more teacher attention

...better behavior, more teacher interaction, more group affiliation, and cooperation than coed classes

...higher levels of vigorous activity...social ramifications of a failed attempt are much lower.

... in this class I felt I could do everything and it felt like a safe environment. I loved the classroom discussions- it was a great experience.

I have changed how much I respect myself and value myself because of our conversations in class...I think it is very important that high school girls have these kinds of conversations within a school setting...

...I have gained a lot of confidence through this class and have gained a lot of knowledge that has helped me in life outside of school.

Fit Female has positively influenced my high school experience because it makes me less stressed for the rest of the school day...I look forward to coming to class because it is about me as an individual I've never enjoyed PE until now.



- Body Weight Workouts
- Fitness Races
- Park/Beach Workouts
- Step Aerobics
- Exercise Ball

- Partner Workouts
- Gliders
- Belly Dancing
- Student-Led Project
- Turbo Fire



- Tubing
- Med Ball
- Zumba
- "Rack" Workouts
- Kickboxing

- Body Bar
- Trampoline Workouts
- "Intensati"
- Oldies but Goodies
- Yoga/Pilates



**CLASSROOM DISCUSSIONS** 

# Classroom Discussions

#### **Quarter One**

- Great Discovery
- Heart Disease
- Nutrition



#### **Quarter Two**

- Sexual Health
  - Boob Day
  - Vagina Day
  - Gynecologist
  - Sex Talk
- Importance of Strength Training



# **Classroom Discussions**

### **Quarter Three**

- Relationships
- Body Image/ Self-Worth





### **Quarter Four**

- Body Image/ Self-Worth
- Social Media
- Life Beyond High School
- 7 Powerful Truths that can Improve your Life



### Assessments

#### **Quarter One**

- Heart disease letter
- Nutrition quiz
- Healthy recipe
- Fad diets





### **Quarter Two**

- Strength training benefits
- <u>Sexual health</u>
  <u>reflection/letter to a friend</u>

### Assessments

### **Quarter Three**

- <u>This is Who I Am</u>
  <u>interviews/presentations</u>
- Relationship assessment

### **Quarter Four**

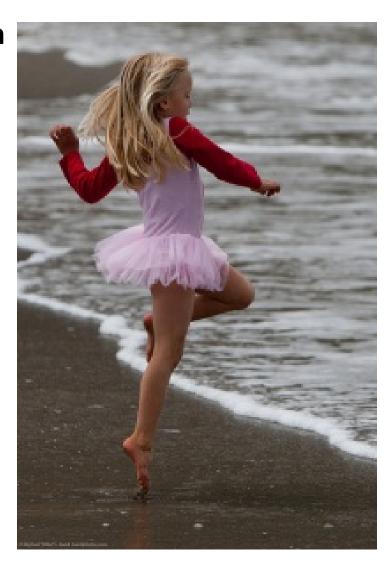
- Personal mission statements
- End of the year reflection



# Improving Body Satisfaction

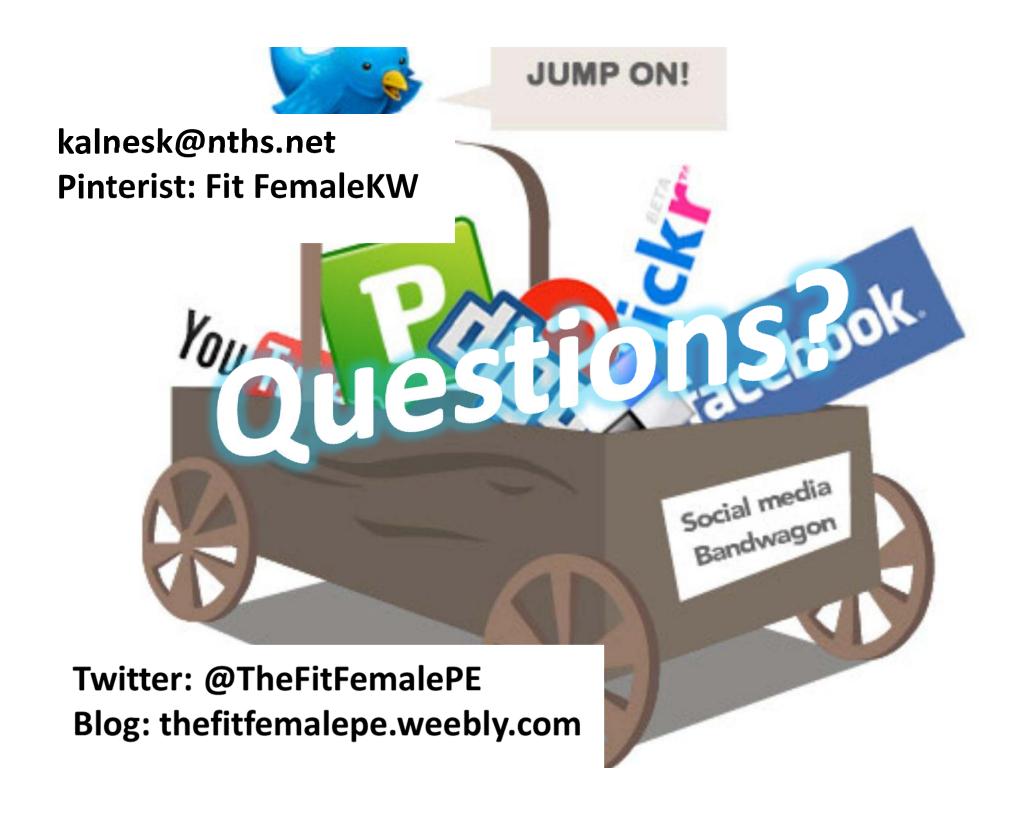
#### **Fit Female Curriculum**

- Media literacy
- Comprehensive sex ed
- Use SMS less
- Supportive peer culture
- No appearance related comments
- Relationship authenticity



#### **Other Methods**

- Parent education
- Extracurricular activities



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