

## School Engagement Assessment Tool (SEAT)

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal/Vice Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PHN: \_\_\_\_\_

Why am I collecting this information?

- This **annual** school assessment is intended to assist public health practitioners and school administrators in determining readiness for engaging in a healthy schools approach. This assessment process will assist us with prioritizing our work and help determine level of services to schools for this year. Your school board is aware of this process.

It will allow us to determine:

- The level of service to provide based on resources available
- How to help you best and where to focus resources within the school

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1. How long have you been a Principal/Vice-Principal at this school? \_\_\_\_\_ (No Score)
2. Have you had any experience working with the healthy schools approach? A 'healthy school' promotes the physical, mental, social and spiritual health of the whole school community and constantly strengthens its capacity as a healthy setting for living, learning and working. (Capacity)
  - No experience =0
  - Some experience = 1
  - A lot of experience =2
  - Unsure = 0
3. How well do you think the healthy schools approach fits your education mandate and benefits your school community? (Readiness)
  - Not at all = 0
  - Somewhat = 1
  - Very well = 2
4. How would you describe the 'health' of your school community?  
(Think about 'health' in terms of holistic referring to physical, social, spiritual, mental and emotional health) (Need)
  - Poor health = 2
  - Moderate health = 1
  - Good Health = 0

5. What are the top three areas of health you see as a concern at your school? (No Score- Need)

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6. The healthy schools model can be used to address the concerns you identified above. This would involve a comprehensive approach using the following: parent engagement, student engagement, health curriculum, community partnerships and environmental supports.

a) Which of these strategies are you currently using to address the above concerns? Please a check mark in each box. (feel free to include examples if it is helpful for you) (Capacity)

Health Topic	Parent Engagement	Student Engagement	Quality Health Curriculum	Community Partnerships	Environment Supports (Physical and Social)

Each check mark = 1 point.

Add all check marks to get a score out of 15.

Choose the score for 6a from the below rating scale.

0-4 = 0

5-9 = 1

10-15 = 2

b) Are there any gaps in addressing the above concerns? (Need)

Health Topic	Parent Engagement	Student Engagement	Quality Health Curriculum (lesson plans, resources needed?)	Community Partnerships	Environment Supports (Physical and Social)

Each check mark = 1 point.

Add all check marks to get a score out of 15.

Choose the score for 6b from the below rating scale.

0-4 = 0

5-9 = 1

10-15 = 2

7. Considering how many priorities principals have, how likely would you be to rank healthy school initiatives as a current high priority? (Readiness)

- Not at all likely =0
- Somewhat likely = 1
- Very likely = 2

8. Are there any barriers to implementing a healthy school approach at this time? (I.e. Do you have a champion? Staff buy in) (No Score – Capacity and Readiness)

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9. After our discussion about the healthy school approach are you willing to work with a Public Health Nurse to address your schools health concerns? (Readiness\*)

- Yes =1
- No = 0

10. Next Steps: After we summarize our assessment data for all schools I will follow up with you about your level of service. Do you have any other comments?

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