



UAS WELLNESS TEAM

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Winter Holiday is coming soon!

It is time to reflect as a busy and different school year ends.

UAS community will enjoy a much-needed break soon. We would like to summarize the different perspectives that the Wellness Team has shared with you in the last weeks. Emotional, Physical Activity, Nutrition and Health have been our priority in this weekly communication. We hope to have helped and supported you during this extraordinary period of our lives that abruptly interrupted our kids' routines as well as ours.

We believe in the power of being positive, staying together and being optimistic! These attitudes will help us to successfully face the new routines and challenges for the next school year.



[We invite you to sing, sing the following steps to keep you and your loved ones safe and healthy during the winter holidays:](#)

- **Wash hands often to help prevent the spread of germs.** It's flu season. Wash your hands with soap and clean running water for at least 20 seconds.
- **Bundle up to stay dry and warm.** Wear appropriate outdoor clothing: light, warm layers, gloves, hats, scarves, and waterproof boots.
- **Manage stress.** Give yourself a break if you feel stressed out, overwhelmed, and out of control. Some of the best ways to manage stress are to find support, connect socially, and get plenty of sleep.



- **Don't drink and drive or let others drink and drive.** Whenever anyone drives drunk, they put everyone on the road in danger. Choose not to drink and drive and help others do the same.
- **Be smoke-free.** Avoid smoking and secondhand smoke. Smokers have greater health risks because of their tobacco use, but nonsmokers also are at risk when exposed to tobacco smoke.
- **Fasten seat belts while driving or riding in a motor vehicle.** Always buckle your children in the car using a child safety seat, booster seat, or seat belt according to their height, weight, and age. Buckle up every time, no matter how short the trip and encourage passengers to do the same.
- **Get exams and screenings.** Ask your health care provider what exams you need and when to get them. Update your personal and family history.
- **Get your vaccinations.** Vaccinations help prevent diseases and save lives.
- **Monitor children.** Keep potentially dangerous toys, food, drinks, household items, and other objects out of children's reach. Protect them from burns, falls, and other potential accidents.
- **Practice fire safety.** Most residential fires occur during the winter months, so don't leave fireplaces, space heaters, food cooking on stoves, or candles unattended. Have an emergency plan and practice it regularly.
- **Prepare food safely.** Remember these simple steps: Wash hands and surfaces often, avoid cross-contamination, cook foods to proper temperatures and refrigerate foods promptly.
- **Eat healthily, stay active.** Eat fruits and vegetables which pack nutrients and help lower the risk for certain diseases. Limit your portion sizes and foods high in fat, salt, and sugar. Also, be active for at least 2½ hours a week and help kids and teens be active for at least 1 hour a day.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)