

CLASS

Fitness Focus: **AGILITY GRADE**

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EQUIPMENT LIST							
Fitness Stations & Game	Relay Race	PE Game					
4 Tall Cones36 Short Cones36 Bean Bags1 Measuring Tape	4 Tall Cones2 Ankle Bands1 Measuring Tape	4 Hula Hoops36 Bean Bags24 Poly Spots					

WARM UPS (5 min.)

Setup and Instructions: Mark start and end points 25 feet apart and have players go down and back.

Warm-up 1	Warm-up 2	Warm-up 3	Warm-up 4
Lap Run	Skip Forward/Backward	High Knees	<u>Toe Walks</u>

FITNESS STATIONS & GAME (20 min.)

STATIONS (10 min.)

Station 1	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4
Speed Mountain Climbers	<u>Bound</u>	<u>Skiers</u>	<u>Twists</u>

Setup and Instructions

- Use 4 tall cones to designate 4 stations. Each station should be approximately 25 feet apart.
- Divide the players into 4 small groups -1 group per station.
- All players begin at the same time by performing the fitness movement at their station for 30 seconds. When time is up, players can rotate by skipping, jogging, hopping, or running to the next station.
- Players should complete each station at least 3 times.

GAME (10 min.)

Setup and Instructions

- Create a field of play using short cones.
- Choose one player to be "it" and have that player stand in the middle of the playing field with 36 bean bags.
- When the coach says "Go", all other players try to run from one end of the field of play to the other without being hit by a bean bag thrown by the "it" player.
- Players who get hit with a bean bag must perform a 5 second plank and join the "it" player in the middle to help tag more players.
- The last player to get hit with a beanbag is the first "it for the next round.



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- Game Variation: Start with multiple players to be "it".
- Game Tip: Remind players that bean bags should be tossed below a player's shoulders.

RELAY RACE (15 min.)

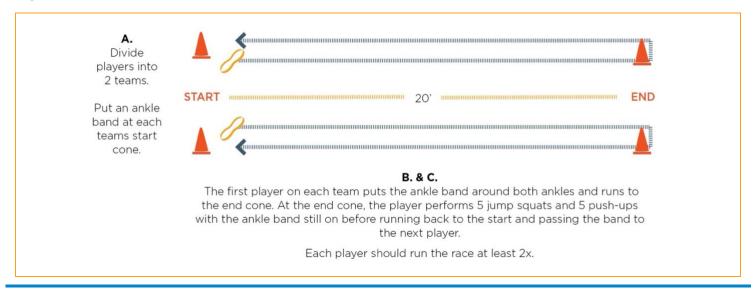
Ankle Band Race

Setup and Instructions

Set up relay race in a space that accommodates the size of the group.

- A. Divide players into 2 teams and have each team line up behind a start cone. Place an ankle band at each team's start cone.
- B. The first player from each team puts the ankle band around both ankles and runs to the end cone, 20 feet away.
- C. At the end cone, the player performs 5 jump squats and 5 push-ups with the ankle band still on before running back to the start cone and passing the band to the next player in line. Each player should run the race at least twice.
- Relay Variation: Instead of running, players can hop, side shuffle, perform lunges, etc. to end cone.
- Relay Tips: 1) For a large class, divide players into multiple teams. 2) For younger players, shorten the distance between start and end cone. 3) For older players, lengthen the distance between the start and end cone.

DIAGRAM



PE GAME (15 min.)

Hungry, Hungry Hippos

Setup and Instructions

Set up a field of play. Take all bean bags and poly spots and place them in a pile in the middle of the field of play. Then take the 4 hula hoops and spread them out in a circle around the pile of items.

Goal of the game: collect as many items as fast as possible.



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- Divide the players into 4 teams and have each team stand in a line behind a hula hoop.
- When the coach says "Go" the first player in each line races to the center pile and grabs 1 item from the pile and brings it back to their hula hoop.
- Then the next player on each team goes and runs to the pile and grabs 1 item and brings it back to their hula hoop.
- Play continues until all the items in the middle are gone.
- Count up each team's item to see who wins that round. The teams with less points must complete 5 push-ups before staring another round.
- Game Variations: 1) items or colors can be worth points (example: poly spots or red items are worth 2 points and bean bags or green items are worth 1 point). Players could be told about the different point values before the start of the game or after 2) add or switch other equipment items like dodgeballs or short cones.

MINDFULNESS (1 min.)

Heartbeat Exercise

Setup and Instructions

Group students at arm's length. Students should be calm and quiet before beginning.

Paying attention to one's heartbeat has a role in many mindfulness exercises and activities. Kids can learn how to apply this mindfulness practice to their own lives, as well.

Tell your kids to jump up and down or run in place or do jumping jacks for 15 seconds. When they have finished, have them sit down and put a hand over their heart. Instruct them to close their eyes and pay attention only to their heartbeat and breath. This easy exercise shows children how to notice their heartbeat and helps them practice their focus. These skills will come in handy as they start engaging in more advanced mindfulness activities.

YOGA STRETCHES (5 min.)

Please choose the Yoga Stretches or Cooldown Stretches below to finish class, or if time permits, do both.

Setup and Instructions

Group students at arm's length. Students should be calm and quiet before beginning.

1 breath = 4 counts in, 4 counts out. Start each sequence with 2–3 rounds of breath.

1. Downward Facing Dog

- Begin on your hands and knees.
- Curl your toes under, straighten your knees, and lift your hips.
- Keep your head between your arms.
- The feet are a foot apart, the legs are straight, and the hips are raised as high as possible.
- Hold for 4 breaths. Relax the pose by lowering your knees to the floor.



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2. Pigeon Pose

- Begin in Downward Facing Dog.
- Step one foot forward, into a low lunge, setting your foot closer to your opposite hand.
- Allow your back knee to lower to your mat, as you tip your front knee to open your front hip.
- Keep your hands on the floor and sit up tall be sure to keep your hips facing forward.
- Hold this pose for a couple of breaths.
- Step your front leg back, and press into Downward Facing Dog.
- Hold for 4 breaths. Repeat on your opposite side.

3. Lizard Pose

- Begin in Downward-Facing Dog.
- On an exhale, step your right foot forward to the outside (pinky finger) edge of your right hand. Both arms should be to the left of the right leg.
- Lower your left knee down onto the ground and release the top of your left foot.
- Hold for 4 breaths, move back to Downward Facing Dog, and then repeat Lizard Pose with the other leg.

COOLDOWN STRETCHES (5 min.)

Setup and Instructions

Group students at arm's length. Complete each stretch twice.

1. Crossed Toe Touch

- Standing straight, raise your hands above your head.
- Cross your right ankle over your left and gently bend forward bringing your hands down to your feet.
- Hold for 30 seconds. Relax the stretch then switch sides.

2. Toe Touch Twist

- With your feet wide apart, touch your right hand to your left foot and twist your left arm to the sky.
- Hold for 30 seconds. Relax the stretch then switch sides.