# Stay Active, Stay Focused Moving in-the-midst of COVID-19

# Physical activity improves focus on (home)school tasks.

Acute and habitual moderate-to-vigorous physical activity can improve attention, memory, and academic performance for youth ages 5-13. <a href="https://health.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/PAG">https://health.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/PAG</a> Advisory Committee Report.pdf

### **Exercise Intensity**

#### **Low Intensity**

Can easily talk and sing without breathing hard

#### **Moderate Intensity**

Can comfortably talk, but can't sing

#### **Vigorous Intensity**

Can only say a few words before gasping for breath

#### **At-Home Activities**

Take a break from your daily routine to fit in some moderate-to-vigorous physical activity!

- Make an indoor obstacle course
- Ride a bike, scooter, or skateboard around your neighborhood (Practice social distancing and wear a protective face covering when interacting with others outside your home)
- Take a brain-break by watching an activity video from Move to Learn

## **Physical Activity Resources**

- Move to Learn (website)
- BE Physically Active 2Day videos (<u>website</u>)

Youth ages 6-17 should strive for ≥ 60 minutes/day of moderate to vigorous physical activity. Do it all at once or break it up throughout the day. Include muscle strengthening activities 2 times per week and bone building activities 3 times per week!



