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"The link between nutrition, physical education and academic achievement is strong. Poor nutrition and hunger interfere with cognitive function. Research on the benefits of school breakfast programs found improvement in students' ability to concentrate in the classroom and increases in test scores. Physical education has also been linked to improved academic performance. Results of physical fitness testing showed that higher levels of fitness were associated with higher achievement in mathematics and reading. The motor learning that occurs in a quality physical education program can support reading readiness, increased cognitive responses and attention span."

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