# JOYFUL MOVEMENT JOURNAL



# WHAT IS JOYFUL MOVEMENT?

Joyful Movement is the mindset in which one participates in physical activity that *ignites interest* and is fueled by *intrinsic motivation*. If you incorporate movement you enjoy into your day, your *satisfaction* and motivation to be active will likely increase. Secondly, Joyful Movement includes *respecting* the limits of your physical skills. Participating in movement that's too rigorous for your current ability produces an increase of anxiety levels and dissatisfaction.

As you journey through the Joyful Movement Journal, be prepared to have an *open mind* to new experiences. Perhaps you'll be challenged to see yourself and physical activity in a brand new way. Get ready to re-discover a lifestyle founded on JOY!



IMPROVES SLEEP

INCREASES MEMORY RETENTION

IMPROVES PRODUCTIVITY







LOWERS STRESS SYMPTOMS

IMPROVES MENTAL CLARITY

IMPROVES SELF-AWARENESS

INCREASES PURPOSE











PARTICIPATE IN HEALTHY COMPETITION

PRODUCE MORE ENERGY FOR WORK

PROVIDES WORK/LIFE BALANCE

MEET NEW FRIENDS

## **STARTER PACK**

Consider these factors to help you get started with making movement an enjoyable activity!

### **CIRCLE YOUR PREFERENCES:**









INDOORS

**OUTDOORS** 

## **COLOR IN YOUR CURRENT FITNESS LEVEL:**



#### **CIRCLE WHAT YOU NEED TO GET STARTED:**









**EQUIPMENT** 

CLOTHING

SHOES

CHECK-UP

# YOUR ROADBLOCKS TO JOYFUL MOVEMENT:

Identify your barriers to exercise by checking each box that applies to you...

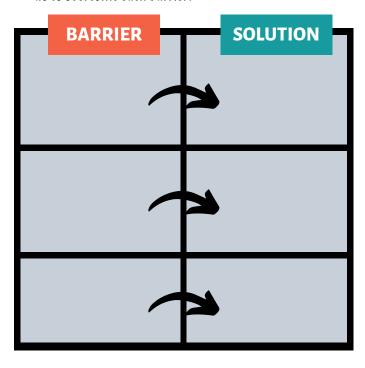
TEASING, PUNISHMENT, OR PRESSURE
Exercise used to be a punishment growing up
l've been teased for being uncoordinated
I was last to be picked for teams
l've been forced to exercise for weight loss
DIETING MENTALITY
I exercise to compensate for foods (ex: desserts)
I need to be the right size to exercise
Physical activity counts only if you sweat and burn a lot of calories
Losing weight is the primary focus of exercise for me
I often only exercise when starting a new diet
I set unrealistic goals that discourages me from exercise

# TIME, SCHEDULE, & WEATHER I don't have a lot of time to exercise I have little time for myself I can't exercise outside because of the weather CONFIDENCE & CONDITIONS I'm lacking confidence in my ability to be active I've had an injury/condition that keeps me from doing what I used to enjoy doing I'm afraid of being injured I'm too tired to exercise I don't have clothes to wear for physical activities



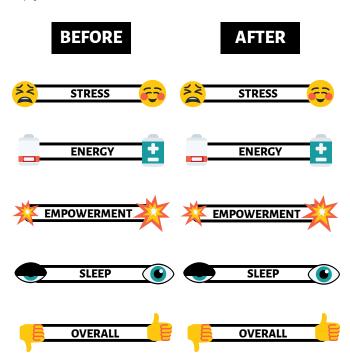
## **BRIDGING BARRIERS**

Select the barriers that present the biggest obstacles to physical activity for you. Describe what you could do to overcome each barrier.



## REFLECTIONS

See the difference! Color between the lines of each category indicating how you feel BEFORE engaging in joyful movement verses one week AFTER.





## WRC+ CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Aerobics/Dance Studio Baseball Field Climbing Wall Fitness Area Free Weight Room Health Beat Lap Pool Leisure Pool **Outdoor Field Complex Outdoor Tennis Complex** West Trail Complex Intramural Sports Personal Training

Check out: recreation.uni.edu to find more information about Joyful Movement opportunities at the WRC!

# WEBSITES







## **ONLINE RESOURCES**

FitnessBlender.com YogaWithAdriene.com Blogilates.com TheBalancedLifeOnline.com HASfit.com Haescommunity.com

