

Chapter 13 Vocabulary:

puberty	the process of physical changes as a child's body develops into an adult.
adolescence	the period of time between childhood and adulthood
hormone	a chemical messenger that creates a response in the body
gland	a specialized tissue that produces and releases chemicals
endocrine system	a network of glands that produces and releases hormones
homeostasis	a state of balance within a cell, organ or system
pituitary gland	a gland in the brain that stimulates growth and development
sebum	an oil produced by glands located in the skin
acne	a skin condition that results when excess sebum clogs skin pores
perspiration	a fluid released by the sweat glands
long bone	one of several elongated parts of the human skeleton
wisdom teeth	the third molars, usually the last teeth to appear
cavity	an area of tooth decay caused by prolonged exposure to bacteria