National Standards for Physical Education & Elementary Grade Level Outcomes

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To NASPE members & Physical Education Professionals:

The NASPE Board established a task force in August 2011 to begin work on a curriculum framework for physical education based on the k-12 standards. As the standards were up for review on NASPE’s periodic review cycle, the task force was also tasked with leading the standards review/revisions.

The task force spent a great deal of time reviewing the literature and examining curriculum frameworks from other countries, states and content areas. The task force is using this research and member feedback to inform revisions to standards and to develop outcomes for the curriculum framework. In addition, we seek to:

• Ensure that standards reflect the content we teach and what we expect students to learn
• Develop outcomes by grade level
• Ensure standards and outcomes are measurable
• Parallel common core standards language/structure where possible (college/career readiness)
• Produce material in formats that serve practitioners effectively, such as web-based and searchable by grade levels, skills, and standards

The most substantive changes in the standards’ revision are the use of the term “physical literacy” in the goal and the combining of Standards 3 and 4. At this time, we are asking for feedback on these revisions as well as the draft of the grade level outcomes. We have provided a template for your use on the following pages.

The task force will be meeting and presenting at the AAHPERD Convention in Charlotte, so we request that you provide your feedback to us ASAP. In that way, we will be sure to have your comments in time for the convention.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of this important project,

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Are you now, or were you previously, a physical education teacher in K-12 schools? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, # years ____  What level(s) do/did you teach? ____________________________________________

Are you currently teaching at the college/university level? ____ Yes ____ No  If yes, # years ____ 

Feedback on Standards:

1. Proposed Standards 1, 2, 4 and 5 are very similar to the previous Standards 1, 2, 5 and 6. The changes are either editorial or intended to make the standards more measurable. Please comment on the effectiveness of these changes.

2. Proposed Standard 3 is a combination of the previous Standards 3 and 4. The intent is for the wording of the standard to reflect the content we teach in physical education and to make the standard more measureable. Please comment on the effectiveness of these changes.

3. Other comments:
Feedback on Outcomes:

1. Please provide feedback on the alignment of the grade level outcomes with the proposed standards.

2. Do you think the grade level outcomes reflect the essential elements of the standards?
   
   a. Please identify any outcomes that you believe need to be eliminated since they are not essential to the meeting of the standard.

   b. Please add any essential outcomes that you believe are missing from the standard.

3. Identify any outcomes that are not measurable or may need editing. Please make specific suggestions for any rewording or editing of outcomes.

4. Identify any gaps or overlaps in the grade level outcomes or sequence.
5. Identify any sequencing issues from grade to grade or standard to standard including duplications or omissions.

Specific to Elementary:

1. Identify any developmentally inappropriate outcomes and offer specific suggestions for change.

2. At the elementary level, are the outcomes progressive and sequential?

Are there other types of content or resources that you would like to see in this document (e.g., suggested assessments, links to other NASPE documents)? Are there specific types of formats you would prefer (e.g., web-based, hard copy, etc.) once the document has been finalized?

Please provide any additional comments based on your review of the document. Any and all feedback is greatly appreciated.