



Louisiana Department of Education

VISION

Create a World-Class Education System for All Students in Louisiana

MISSION

- › Ensure Higher Academic Achievement for All Students
- › Eliminate the Achievement Gaps Between Races and Classes
- › Prepare Students to be Effective Citizens in a Global Market

Exercise Gives Kids Mental Boost.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

NASPE's

March Teacher's Toolbox!

Click [HERE](#) to access the toolbox.

In the News

» The Million T Shirt March Against Bullying

The Million T Shirt March Against Bullying is a nation-wide effort to raise awareness about schools' bullying prevention efforts, raise funds to support these efforts, and raise funds for research and development for the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. Imagine the visual message all across the country with 1,000,000 or more students and adults all wearing the same shirt on the same day with the same message. "It's time to put an end to bullying." The cost for each shirt is \$7.00 and each school can choose to charge additional money to raise funds for their own bullying prevention efforts. Please visit the website for additional information. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

» Joint Use Agreements

Joint Use Agreements: Creating Opportunities for Physical Activity examines the characteristics of joint use agreements that were in effect during the 2009-10 school year among a national sample of 157 public school districts. As defined by the National Policy and Legal Analysis Network to Prevent Childhood Obesity (NPLAN), a joint use agreement is "a formal agreement between two separate government entities-often a school and a city or county-setting forth the terms and conditions for shared use of public property or facilities." City governments can contract with local school districts, for example, to allow community members to use playgrounds and fields when school is not in session.

Most districts actually have a joint use agreement in place. Where they vary is in their content - namely, who or what parties are addressed, what facilities they are allowed to use, and when they are allowed to use them. This research brief will complement existing resources that other programs have developed or are developing related to joint use.

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of this new research brief or for more information on the project. For questions specifically on the joint use agreement brief, please contact lead author, Dr. Jamie Chriqui, at jchriqui@uic.edu.

Funding Opportunities

» Active Schools Acceleration Project

The Active Schools Acceleration Project (ASAP) announced the launch of their national Innovation Competition to uncover the very best programs and technologies to promote school-based physical activity.

The competition will award multiple prizes ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000 to schools with the best, most innovative programs for getting students to be physically active. This opportunity is for programs currently being used in elementary schools (ages 5-12, K-6th grade).

Award Amount: \$25,000 - \$100,000

Deadline: April 2, 2012

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

» SunWise with SHADE Poster Contest!

Students in grades K-8 can help raise awareness about sun safety and win great prizes by entering the 2012 SunWise with SHADE Poster Contest, organized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency SunWise program and the SHADE Foundation of America.

The due date is April 1, 2012 and the national winner will receive a family trip to Disney World and a Shade 'N Net shade structure for his/her school. Click [HERE](#) for complete contest details.

Winning posters will be displayed by the National Children's Museum during summer 2012.

Resources

» Upcoming *Let's Move in School* Webinars

Integrating Nutrition Education into PE – March 7, 2012: Noon - 12:45 p.m. CST

Nutrition is an important part of students' overall fitness and health. Learn simple ways to effectively integrate nutrition education into an existing physical education curriculum. Hear from physical educators who are successfully implementing nutrition into their PE programs. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Director of Physical Activity Certification – April 11, 2012: Noon - 12:45 p.m. CST

The National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) has developed a Director of Physical Activity (DPA) Certification Program to prepare physical education teachers to excel in the role of Comprehensive School Physical Activity Plan (CSPAP) director and coordinator. Each individual who successfully completes and passes the program will become a NASPE Certified Director of Physical Activity (CDPA). Learn more about the DPA program and hear from schools that have completed the DPA workshop. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Louisiana's Reform Plan Critical Goals

1. Students enter Kindergarten ready to learn.
2. Students are literate by the third grade.
3. Students will enter fourth grade on time.
4. Students perform at or above grade level in English Language Arts by eighth grade.
5. Students perform at or above grade level in math by eighth grade.
6. Students will graduate on time.
7. Students will enroll in post-secondary education or graduate workforce-ready.
8. Students will successfully complete at least one year of post-secondary education.
9. Achieve all eight Critical Goals, regardless of race or class.

Junk Food at Schools Not Responsible for Childhood Obesity

Click [HERE](#) to access the toolbox.

NASPE Grants Webpage

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Online Resources on www.louisianaschools.net

» Health & Wellness Section <http://www.louisianaschools.net/lde/scs/1937.html>

The Louisiana Department of Education maintains web pages with links to websites that may be resources for health, nutrition and physical education. If you have discovered websites that have proven to be helpful to your education practice, please send your recommendations via email to michael.comeaux@la.gov.

Thank you for taking the time to examine these offerings. Contact us if we may be of service to your programs.

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Organizations Online

Louisiana Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance
<http://www.lahperd.org>

American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
<http://www.aahperd.org>

National Association for Sport and Physical Education
<http://www.aahperd.org/naspe/>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Division of Adolescent and School Health
<http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/>

Pennington Biomedical Research Center
<http://www.pbrc.edu/>

Louisiana Council on Obesity Prevention and Management
<http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=270>

Action for Healthy Kids
<http://actionforhealthykids.org/>

NFL Fuel Up to Play 60
<http://www.fueluptoplay60.com/>

NFL Play 60
<http://www.nflrush.com/play60/>

United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service
<http://teamnutrition.usda.gov/>

The Cooper Institute Fitnessgram
<http://www.cooperinstitute.org/ourkidshealth/fitnessgram/index.cfm>

Louisiana State University (LSU) AgCenter
<http://www.lsuagcenter.com>
<http://www.smartbodies.org>

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