

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Section 1003.455, Florida Statutes, requires 150 minutes each week of physical education for students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade, and the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for one semester of each year for students in grades six through eight. The physical education requirement shall be waived for a student in grades kindergarten through grade eight who meets one of the following criteria:

- The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course.
 - The student's parent indicates in writing to the school that:
 1. The parent requests that the student enroll in another course from among those offered as options by the individual school, (No waiver form is required from the District Office.)
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2. The student is participating in physical activities outside the school day which are equal to or in excess of the mandated requirement. (Waiver form from the District Office is required.)

Unless your child meets one of the waiver criteria listed above, he/she will be enrolled in physical education for 150 minutes each week while in grades kindergarten through grade five, or for one semester of each year while in grades six through eight.

Official waiver forms for participation in physical activities outside of the school day may only be picked up from the Bay District School Board Office.

Waiver forms must be signed by the coach or adult supervisor of the outside activity to verify participation. Completed forms must be returned to the student's school by the close of business on Monday, July 24, 2017, in order to be eligible to receive a waiver for the 2017-18 school year.

Please contact Denise Kelley at (850) 767-4323 if you have questions or concerns regarding the physical education requirements or waiver criteria.