

Health and Physical Education – Curriculum Review

How can you get involved?

1. Technical Analysis Team

As part of the Curriculum Review Cycle for Health and Physical Education, the Ministry of Education will be conducting a technical analysis of Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-12 curricula in November 2007. The Technical Analysis team will consist of qualified educators who are actively teaching or involved in a coordinator/consultant role. These educators will be selected from across Ontario to create a team that is as broadly representative as possible.

To apply for the Technical Analysis team, obtain an application form:

- At the OASPHE Fall meeting or the Ophea Kids' Health Conference
- from www.oasphe.ca – on the home page
- from www.ophea.net - on the home page, scroll down to “Announcements and Events”

2. Focus Groups

The Ministry of Education will also be conducting Focus Group discussions in the six Ministry regions across Ontario. In these discussions, a team of educators (approximately 12) from every Board will be asked their opinions about the current Ontario Curriculum for Health and Physical Education. In particular the Ministry wants to know the strengths, areas for improvement and suggestions for change in both the elementary and secondary curriculum. These one-day meetings will occur through the end of October into early December, 2007

To indicate your interest in the Focus Group discussions, contact your “Ophea HPE Board Contact on Ophea net - <http://www.ophea.net/safetycontacts.cfm>.

OASPHE/Ophea Support for the H&PE Curriculum Review Process

- a. OASPHE in partnership with Ophea conducted “Health and Physical Education Curriculum Review Surveys” in the fall of 2006 and gathered feedback from elementary and secondary educators across Ontario for both the elementary and secondary English and French curricula.
- b. Findings from the surveys have been summarized into key messages and are contained in two reports to be considered in the Health and Physical Education curriculum review process.
- c. The two reports are available in both “long” and in “executive summary” formats at: www.oasphe.ca
 - “What do elementary educators think of the Ontario Health and Physical Education Curriculum?”
 - “What do secondary educators think of the Ontario Health and Physical Education Curriculum?”
- d. Educators involved in either the Technical Analysis Team or the Focus Groups should read the appropriate report (elementary/secondary) as a starting point in the development of their response.