



## Commonwealth of Virginia Virginia Department of Education Superintendent's Memo #036-22

DATE: February 11, 2022

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Public Comment Period for the Proposed 2022 Physical Education

Standards of Learning

On January 27, 2022, the Virginia Board of Education received the proposed revisions to the 2015 *Physical Education Standards of Learning* for first review. The proposed 2022 *Physical Education Standards of Learning* were developed through numerous phases of meetings convened with Virginia educators, college professors, and other passionate stakeholders. The proposed standards reflect a comprehensive review of the standards, expertise of diverse constituents, include edits to enhance clarity, specificity, rigor, alignment of skills and content, and reflect current academic research and practice. The updated standards support a planned sequential K-12 standards-based program of study designed to develop motor skills, knowledge, and behaviors of healthy active living, physical fitness, sportsmanship, and self-efficacy to achieve the goals of becoming knowledgeable and skillful movers who value and adopt a physically active, healthy lifestyle and understand the science behind physical movement.

The proposed 2022 *Physical Education Standards of Learning* can be accessed at the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) <u>Physical Education Standards of Learning</u> webpage. The VDOE encourages all members of the public to submit comments regarding the proposed 2022 *Physical Education Standards of Learning* via email to <u>vdoe.stem@doe.virginia.gov</u> from February 11, 2022 - March 11, 2022.

For additional information about the proposed 2022 *Physical Education Standards of Learning*, please contact Vanessa Wigand, Coordinator for Physical Education, Health Education, Family Life Education, and Driver Education, Office of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Innovation, by email at <a href="mailto:Vanessa.Wigand@doe.virginia.gov">Vanessa.Wigand@doe.virginia.gov</a> or by telephone at (804) 225-3300.

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