

Physical Education Waiver Option

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The 2008 Legislature passed Senate Bill 610 which was signed into law by Governor Crist on June 2, 2008. It included changes in State Statute as it relates to the physical education requirements for students in Florida.

To encourage students to become more physically active and to help students develop healthy lifestyles, Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for a minimum of one semester each year for students in grades 6 through 8 beginning in the 2009-2010 school year.

The physical education requirement shall be waived for a student who meets one of the following criteria:

- The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course.
- The student's parent or guardian indicates in writing to the school that the student is enrolled in another course from among those offered as options by the school District.

This Statute requires each school board to notify parents of the options available to them prior to scheduling a student in physical education. Unless your child meets one of the waiver criteria listed above, he/she will be enrolled in physical education for a minimum of one semester of each year while in grades 6 through 8.

Please contact your school administration if you have questions or concerns regarding the physical education requirements or waiver criteria.

Please mark one of the following an x

_____ I request that my child's Physical Education requirement for the 2016 -2017 school year be waived.

_____ I accept my child's enrollment in Physical Education for the 2016-2017 School Year

Student Name: _____

Grade _____

Parent Signature _____