

# National Standards For Initial Physical Education Teacher Education (2017)

# SHAPE America – Society of Health and Physical Educators

## Standard 1. Content and Foundational Knowledge

Physical education candidates<sup>1</sup> demonstrate an understanding of common and specialized content, and scientific and theoretical foundations for the delivery of an effective preK-12 physical education program.

## Components

Candidates will:

- **1.a** Describe and apply common content knowledge for teaching preK-12 physical education.
- **1.b** Describe and apply specialized content knowledge for teaching preK-12 physical education.
- **1.c** Describe and apply physiological and biomechanical concepts related to skillful movement, physical activity and fitness for preK-12 students.
- **1.d** Describe and apply motor learning and behavior-change/psychological principles related to skillful movement, physical activity and fitness for preK-12 students.
- **1.e** Describe and apply motor development theory and principles related to fundamental motor skills, skillful movement, physical activity and fitness for preK-12 students.
- **1.f** Describe the historical, philosophical and social perspectives of physical education issues and legislation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Throughout this document, the term *candidate* refers to an individual in a preparation program, and the term *student* refers to a preK-12 pupil or learner.

#### Standard 2. Skillfulness and Health-Related Fitness<sup>2</sup>

Physical education candidates are physically literate individuals who can demonstrate skillful performance<sup>3</sup> in physical education content areas and health-enhancing levels of fitness.

## Components

#### Candidates will:

- **2.a** Demonstrate competency in all fundamental motor skills, as well as skillful performance in a minimum of four physical education content areas (e.g., games and sports, aquatics, dance and rhythmic activities, fitness activities, outdoor pursuits, individual-performance activities).
- **2.b** Achieve and maintain a health-enhancing level of fitness throughout the program.

#### **Standard 3. Planning and Implementation**

Physical education candidates apply content and foundational knowledge to plan and implement developmentally appropriate learning experiences aligned with local, state and/or SHAPE America's National Standards and Grade-Level Outcomes for K-12 Physical Education through the effective use of resources, accommodations and/or modifications, technology and metacognitive strategies to address the diverse needs of all students.

## Components

Candidates will:

**3.a** Plan and implement appropriate (e.g., measureable, developmentally appropriate, performance-based) short- and long-term plan objectives that are aligned with local, state and/or SHAPE America's National Standards and Grade-Level Outcomes for K-12 Physical Education.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> To assist individuals with special needs achieve the intent of Standard 2, physical education teacher education programs are allowed and encouraged to use a variety of accommodations and/or modifications to help candidates demonstrate skillful performance (e.g., modified or adapted equipment, augmented communication devices, multimedia devices) and fitness (e.g., weight programs, exercise logs).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Skillful performance: A person's effective employment of techniques, tactics, strategies, rules and etiquette in the context of the activity.

### Standard 3. Planning and Implementation (Cont.)

- **3.b** Plan and implement progressive and sequential content that aligns with short- and long-term plan objectives and that addresses the diverse needs of all students.
- **3.c** Plan for and manage resources to provide active, fair and equitable learning experiences.
- **3.d** Plan and implement individualized instruction for diverse student needs, adding specific accommodations and/or modifications for all students.
- **3.e** Plan and implement learning experiences that require students to use technology appropriately in meeting one or more short- and long-term plan objective(s).
- **3.f** Plan and implement learning experiences that engage students in using metacognitive strategies appropriately to analyze their own performance results.

#### **Standard 4. Instructional Delivery and Management**

Physical education candidates engage students in meaningful learning experiences through effective use of pedagogical skills. They use communication, feedback, technology, and instructional and managerial skills to enhance student learning.

## Components

Candidates will:

- **4.a** Demonstrate verbal and nonverbal communication skills that convey respect and sensitivity across all learning experiences.
- **4.b** Implement demonstrations, explanations and instructional cues that are aligned with short- and long-term plan objectives.
- **4.c** Evaluate the changing dynamics of the learning environment and adjust instructional tasks as needed to further student progress.
- **4.d** Implement transitions, routines and positive behavior management to create and maintain a safe, supportive and engaging learning environment.
- **4.e** Analyze motor skills and performance concepts through multiple means (e.g., visual observation, technology) in order to provide specific, congruent feedback to enhance student learning.

#### Standard 5. Assessment of Student Learning

Physical education candidates select and implement appropriate assessments to monitor students' progress and guide decision making related to instruction and learning.

# Components

#### Candidates will:

- **5.a** Select or create authentic, formal assessments that measure student attainment of shortand long-term objectives.
- **5.b** Implement formative assessments that monitor student learning before and throughout the long-term plan, as well as summative assessments that evaluate student learning upon completion of the long-term plan.
- **5.c** Implement a reflective cycle to guide decision making specific to candidate performance, student learning, and short- and long-term plan objectives.

#### **Standard 6. Professional Responsibility**

Physical education candidates demonstrate behaviors essential to becoming effective professionals. They exhibit professional ethics and culturally competent practices; seek opportunities for continued professional development; and demonstrate knowledge of promotion/advocacy strategies for physical education and expanded physical activity opportunities that support the development of physically literate individuals.

#### Components

Candidates will:

- **6.a** Engage in behavior that reflects professional ethics, practice and cultural competence.
- **6.b** Engage in continued professional growth and collaboration in schools and/or professional organizations.
- **6.c** Describe strategies, including the use of technology, for the promotion and advocacy of physical education and expanded physical activity opportunities.