

Polk County School District
**Physical Education Requirement
Parental Notification and Waiver
For Middle School Students**

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

Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for one semester of each school year for students in grades 6 through 8 beginning in the 2009-2010 school year.

This statute requires each district school board to notify parents of the options available in scheduling a student for a physical education class. Unless your child meets one of the waiver criteria, he or she will be enrolled in physical education program in grades 6-8.

Waiver Criteria

1. The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course.
2. The student's parent indicates in writing to the school that:
 - The parent request that the student enroll in another course from among those offered as options by the school district, OR
 - The student is participating in physical activities outside the school day which are equal to or in excess of the mandated requirement.

To waive the physical education requirement for your child mark one of the criteria below

____ I request that my child enroll in another course from among those offered as options by the school district.

____ My child is participating in physical activities outside the school day which are equal to or in excess of the mandated requirement (equal to one class period per day for one semester).

Student Name _____ Student ID # _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Date

*Physical Education Waivers may not be accepted after the start of the semester and are valid for one school year.