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FROM: Anne Schiano

RE: NYSED Physical Education Profile Professional Development

I am pleased to share with you the New York State Education Department, Physical Education Profile (PE Profile) CDROM. The PE Profile is an *optional* assessment tool that uniquely integrates assessment and technology to:

- Provide evidence of individual student progress in meeting the physical education learning standards; and
- Provide evidence to improve the overall quality a district's physical education program.

The Department has collaborated with the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, Inc (NYS AHPERD) to prepare a cadre of physical education specialists that are knowledgeable on the use of the PE Profile and who can facilitate professional development. This cadre of experts will be available to provide professional development across the State. Trish Kocialski, NYSED Associate in Physical Education will work with your SCDN liaison to secure the most senior level, expert trainers in this cadre to provide professional development in each of your city school districts at no cost to the district.

Enclosed is the PE Profile Toolkit to accompany the CD-ROM to help promote this optional physical education assessment tool to your school buildings for the 2007-2008 school year statewide roll-out. This resource includes:

- ***PE Profile CD-ROM***;
- ***Talking Points*** to promote the tool;
- a ***Memo to your SCDN liaison*** with specifics to coordinate professional development with certified physical education teachers;
- a ***Sample Invitation Letter*** to use when rolling-out PE Profile professional development to school buildings; and
- Directions for ***Tracking the Physical Education Profile***.

Resources that accompany the PE Profile are already posted and will continue to be posted as they become available on the PE Profile website at <http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/profile.htm>. If you have any questions regarding the PE Profile or its promotion and professional development, please contact Trish Kocialski at pkocialski@mail.nysed.gov or 518.474.5922.

We look forward to sharing this exciting resource with your schools during the upcoming year. I thank you in advance for your support in promoting its use in your schools.

Enclosed

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