

To: PARTNERS IN RECREATION AND SPORT

RE: AFTER SCHOOL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY FUNDING INITIATIVE

It is with pleasure that I invite school-community partnerships to submit a proposal for the After School Physical Activity Initiative supported by the Departments of Tourism, Culture and Recreation; Education; Health and Community Services; and Human Resources, Labour and Employment. Included with this covering memo is the *Call for Proposals* intended for school-community partnerships that organize opportunities for physical activity for children and youth in Grades 4 to 9 in the after-school hours between 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The after-school time period is a key opportunity to promote physical activity. Research shows that this is a sedentary time of day for many of our youth, as well as a time when behaviours not conducive to a healthy lifestyle occur. All materials for the ASPA funding initiative are located on the government website at www.gov.nl.ca/tcr. Please select the Recreation and Sport link.

Successful proposals that best meet the goals and criteria identified in the attached *Call for Proposals* will be funded up to \$25,000; funding is available for two school years (\$25,000 per school year), pending available funds. As noted, full packages on the After School Physical Activity Initiative, including the official application form, are available on the Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation's website at www.gov.nl.ca/tcr or by contacting Ms. Patti Thorne, Recreation and Sport Consultant, at (709) 729-5270; e-mail pthorne@gov.nl.ca.

The **deadline** for submitting a proposal for consideration is Wednesday, **June 1, 2011**.

Full packages (online) include:

- Official Application form
- Administrative Guidelines
- Sample completed Application and Sample Proposal
- Appendices that provide assistance
 - a. Sample Scenarios (includes partnerships one might consider)
 - b. Training/Leadership
 - c. Sample Survey
 - d. Program Ideas
 - e. Examples of School-Community Policies

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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