



# Key State Physical Education Policies and Practices

	AL	AK	AZ	AR	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	FL	GA	HI	ID	IL	IN	IA	KS	KY	LA	ME	MD	MA
State mandates elementary school physical education	•		•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
State mandates middle school/junior high school physical education			•	•	•			•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
State mandates high school physical education		•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
State permits schools or school districts to allow students to substitute other activities for the required physical education credit	•	•		•	•	•				•	•			•	•	•		•	•			•
State grants exemptions/waivers regarding physical education time or credit	•				•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•
State has its own standards for physical education	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
State requires student assessment in physical education	•				•		•	•				•								•		
State requires physical education grades to be included in a student's grade point average				•				•		•		•			•				•			•
State requires all who teach elementary school physical education to be certified/licensed	•	•	•		•		•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•
State requires all who teach middle school/junior high school physical education to be certified/licensed	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
State requires all who teach high school physical education to be certified/licensed	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
State requires professional development/continuing education to maintain/renew physical education teacher certification/licensure	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
State provides funding for professional development for physical education teachers				•				•														
State actively supports physical education teachers becoming certified through the National Board Certification process	•		•	•	•	•		•	•			•		•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
State require each school district to have a licensed physical educator serving as a PE coordinator																						



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