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To: Curriculum Directors

Administrative Regulation 502 (enacted in August 2006) requires that districts submit evidence of standards-aligned curriculum for all students K-12. This letter is to formally advise you that Physical Education and Health Education are the next content areas to be released. This letter and attachments are intended to guide you and your school district in compiling and submitting the necessary curriculum documents for review. Members of the Curriculum Development Workgroup continue to stand ready to help you with the process, and will carry responsibility for review of documentation as well as recommendations to the Secretary of Education.

There are a number of important enclosures with this letter all of which can be found on our website:

Physical Education documents and forms:

Form PE-1: Scope and Sequence
Form # 2: Local Curriculum Alignment
Form # 3: Unit Alignment Rubric
Form # 5: Evidence Pack Checklist

Health Education documents and forms:

Clarification Document #8
Form # 2: Alignment Scoring Rubric
Form # 3: Unit Alignment Rubric
Form # 5: Evidence Pack Checklist

(<http://www.doe.k12.de.us/programs/profdev/reg502.shtml>.)

Regulation 502 emphasizes the importance of involving teachers directly in the development of aligned curriculum and in preparation of alignment evidence to be submitted for DDOE review. It is my firm belief that active teacher involvement also is a very pragmatic type of professional development for the teachers, and also an enhancement to local consensus building around standards-based instruction. Please provide specific detail of teacher active involvement.

I hope this information is helpful to you. In addition, this will be a discussion item at the curriculum cadre meeting being held in conjunction with the Delaware Instructional Technology Conference on April 10, 2008.

Yours truly,

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