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Fwd: Physical Education & Graduation Requirements

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Cc: Joanna Hastry <jhastry@framingham.k12.ma.us>

Hi!

I was advised by Chris Petrini to direct this inquiry directly to DESE. He asked that I forward their response to him as he is interested in how they will address this. I will let you know when I hear from them. It may take a while but I wanted you to know what I had done.

Have a good day!

Nancy Piasecki

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From: **Nancy Piasecki** <npiasecki@framingham.k12.ma.us>

Date: Mon, Oct 1, 2018 at 8:07 AM

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To: legal@doe.mass.edu

Cc: Amy Kane <akane@framingham.k12.ma.us>

Good day,

I have been asked to reach out to the DESE legal department for clarification.

As part of its graduation requirement, Framingham High School requires students to be enrolled in a Health or Physical Education class each year. The School Committee does not have a policy regarding graduation requirements; it is however, considering adding one. The School Committee is entertaining discussions about waiving some of the physical education requirements in favor of replacing it with inter-scholastic athletics. It is understood that Student Learning Time Regulations require public schools to provide a minimum of 990 hours of structured learning time to every student in secondary schools. It is also understood that physical education and health classes count as part of those 990 hours. If Framingham were to exempt students from physical education classes, would their participation in inter-scholastic athletics serve as physical education credits towards graduation?

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