February 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The 2008 Legislature passed Senate Bill 610, which was signed into law by Governor Crist on June 2, 2008. It included changes in State Statute as it relates to the physical education requirements for students in Florida.

To encourage students to become more physically active and to help students develop healthy lifestyles, Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for students in grades 6 through 8, beginning in the 2009-2010 school year.

The physical education requirement shall be waived for a student who meets one of the following criteria:

1. The student is required to enroll in a remedial course (including Developmental Language Arts through ESOL courses, intensive reading or intensive math courses, courses that a student may need due to failure, etc.);

2. The student’s parent or guardian indicates in writing (SEE BELOW) to the school that the student is enrolled in another course from among those offered as options by the school district (SEE ELECTIVES OFFERED ON SUBJECT SELECTION FORM).

This Statute requires each school board to notify parents of the options available to them prior to scheduling a student in physical education.

Unless this waiver is signed and returned with your child’s subject selection sheet, he/she will be enrolled in physical education for the school year 2019-2020.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the physical education requirements or waiver criteria, please contact Ms. McKay, Assistant Principal, Arvida Middle School (305) 385-7144.

I wish for my child to be waived from this requirement and be placed in the alternate elective that my child has selected and I have approved. See my child’s subject selection form.

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Student Name/ID #                     Grade

Parent Name (please print)            Signature                        Date

1/31/19