

Friday 23rd September 2011

Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth
PO Box 6022
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Minister,

I write seeking clarification regarding the announcement of funding to support the implementation of the first seven subjects / learning areas to be completed in the Australian Curriculum.

ACHPER applauds the overall intention to support schools and teachers with digital resources, however it is not clear whether that will be the limit to the funding.

Despite Health and Physical Education being one of the key curriculum areas outlined in the Melbourne Declaration and currently expected by ACARA to be completed for the National Curriculum by 2013, it has **not** been included. Is there any reason for this? Are there plans to include it in a further announcement?

If there is no intention to include Health and Physical Education you can be assured that a formidable campaign will be mounted through a number of influential health and education bodies as well as the sport lobby.

I will pay the respect of holding back any media response pending immediate clarification regarding your intentions for funding professional learning resources and online materials in Health and Physical Education.

Yours Sincerely,



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