



PESIC News Update

It is so hard to believe that 2017 is just around the corner. It seems like yesterday that “National Conference” and “Newfoundland” were used in the same breath. Planning began early in 2014 and after personally experiencing a national conference in Banff, May 2015, it was clear that this amount of planning was warranted in order to bring to the table a conference of this calibre.

Even though Banff is considered a “conference community”, I can confidently say that our conference will provide all participants with an experience just as memorable. Why? In addition to having local and national names in our confirmed list of presenters, we also have professionals travelling internationally to deliver their sessions. Our Province has a lot to offer, and this alone is testament to that. This is why we must ensure our conference has a Newfoundland flavour. This can only be accomplished if we have our own physical education specialists present!

During the conference, there will be a **National Dance Off!** Teachers from each Province and Territory will choreograph their own dance and present it at one of our Socials! All those at the conference who wish to join and/or help create Newfoundland’s winning entry will have the opportunity. Details will follow.

The conference planning committee has worked very hard to ensure we have as many Newfoundland and Labrador Physical Education Specialists present at our conference as possible. PESIC has secured funding that will be provided to those teachers who apply. Please keep in mind that funding is limited and will be given to teachers on a first come, first served basis. With that said, we will be trying to deliver funding in the most equitable way; i.e., teachers travelling from greater distances vs. local teachers. We do ask that teachers with a larger financial hurdle apply for all possible grants and funding. There may be additional provincial/regional support available that would further aid in our desire of getting all of us to the conference.

Information on the following can be found further in this document:

- **Important Registration Dates/Early Bird Deadlines**
- **Awards and Nomination Forms**
- **Grants and Funding Information**

That is all for now. I hope to see you all in St. John’s this May!!!

Yours in Physical Education,

Luke Neville
PESIC President



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May 4-6, 2017 • St. John's

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION DATES/ EARLY BIRD DEADLINES

Conference Registration	Early Bird Until December 16, 2016	Regular Until March 2, 2017	Late After March 2, 2017
Full Registration			
PESIC and/or PHE Canada Member	\$300.00	\$340.00	\$380.00
Non-member	\$320.00	\$360.00	\$400.00
Student* / Retired	\$220.00	\$260.00	\$300.00
One-Day Registration (Saturday)			
Professional	\$200.00	\$240.00	\$280.00
Student* / Retired	\$140.00	\$180.00	\$220.00

* Student rate applies to those registered in a full-time undergraduate program.

Go to the following link to Register: www.phecanada.ca/events/2017-national-conference/registration

This link can also be found at www.phecanada.ca or www.pesicnl.com

FULL Conference registration includes:

- Thursday Delegate Reception (including a complimentary drink ticket)**
- Thursday Opening Ceremonies
- Thursday Night Social (An Atlantic Evening)**
- Early morning Active Living Sessions on Friday and Saturday
- Friday Keynote Address
- Workshop Sessions on Friday and Saturday
- Exhibitor Marketplace on Friday
- Exhibitor Marketplace Social on Friday**
- Nutrition Breaks and Lunch on Friday and Saturday
- Dance Spectacular Performance
- Friday Awards Banquet & Ceremony (including a complimentary drink ticket)**
A semi-formal event to celebrate excellence in our profession. Additional tickets are available for \$75.00/person.
- Friday Night Evening Social (Goin' to be a Time Tonight)**
With live musical performances and the Dance-Off. Additional tickets are available for \$25.00/person.
- "Wrap-Up" and Draw prizes

**Additional costs may apply (e.g., additional event tickets, cash bar).

Saturday Conference registration includes:

- Early morning Active Living Sessions
- Saturday Workshop Sessions
- Saturday Nutrition Breaks and Lunch
- "Wrap-Up" and Draw Prizes

Grants and Funding

Funding opportunities are available.

PESIC has a first-come, first-served grant:
<https://goo.gl/forms/psOHYSNzLTtOYOX13>

The NLTA has an out-of-province grant that applies to teachers in Labrador travelling to the Island:
www.nlta.nl.ca/out-of-province-grants-for-teachers/



Attention: Physical Educators

Awards 2016-2017

Call for Nominations

The Physical Education Special Interest Council presents several awards for which we are now seeking nominations. If you know a great Physical Educator who deserves to be recognized for all of the great work they are doing, nominate them for one of the following awards! You are encouraged to submit worthy candidate names and a résumé of their professional involvement by **January 16, 2017**.

Application forms can be requested from PESIC Executive members Jacinta McGrath – jacintamcgrath@nlesd.ca or Luke Neville – lukeneville@nlesd.ca

Award of Honour

This award recognizes outstanding contributions and long time dedication to the development of physical education and its ideals and standards in Newfoundland and Labrador. The successful candidate demonstrates professional competence, helps others develop professionally and shows leadership in improving the health and well being of young people.

District Physical Educator of the Year

Awarded to one teacher per district. This award recognizes teachers who offer a balanced, quality, physical education program and participates in professional development opportunities. This teacher's programs reflect a variety of teaching methodologies, innovative learning experiences and provide a nurturing environment in which all learners develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes that enhance active living.

PHE Canada Dr. Andy Anderson Young Professional Award

This award recognises an outstanding physical education teacher in the early stages of their career (35 years or younger). To qualify, the candidate must be a member of PHE Canada or a Liaison Group, and be 35 years of age or less, although some exceptions can be made for individuals who started late-entry careers. Candidates will be evaluated on their contribution to the profession. Refer to complete nomination process at www.phecanada.ca.

PESIC Student Award

Recognizes an outstanding undergraduate student in the field of physical education. The student should display professional conduct and interact positively with others through communication, fair play, leadership, and teamwork. The student should also show their understanding and appreciation of the health benefits of physical activity through their involvement in extra-curricular activities associated with physical education.

PHE Canada Physical Education Teaching Excellence Award – Newfoundland & Labrador

Honors exceptional teachers who provide outstanding teaching performance at the elementary, middle and secondary levels for their excellence in teaching physical education and their ability to motivate children and youth to participate in physical activity. This teacher: conducts a quality physical education program as reflected in PHE Canada's definition; serves as a positive role model epitomizing personal health and fitness, enjoyment of activity, sportspersonship, and sensitivity to the needs of students; participates in professional development opportunities related to the teaching of physical education. It is intended that the nominee not only attend professional development opportunities but that they share their expertise with fellow teachers locally, regionally, or provincially. Eligibility: teach a minimum 60% in one or more grades from K-12; hold a Bachelor of Physical Education, or a Bachelor of Education or Kinesiology with a concentration in Physical Education, be fully certified by the province, and follow provincial curriculum using sound pedagogical principles; minimum of five years teaching experience in physical education; full-time teaching contract, current at the time of nomination and selection; the individual must not be a previous PETE Award recipient. Refer to complete nomination process at www.phecanada.ca for application.