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Presentation of findings for Tasmania Devonport region government schools, for Tasmanian Department of Education - How are primary education health and physical education (HPE) teachers best prepared?

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Presentation of Findings

Tasmania – Devonport Region

Government schools

Tasmania Devonport Region schools (total)

Total returned surveys	3
Total Tasmanian government schools	13
% within state	23.0%

Medium sized schools (100 - 300 children) Devonport Region

- 2 returned surveys

1. Which teachers are responsible for HPE in your school (eg. Classroom, specialist HPE, outsourced)?

Relief teacher taking HPE specialist lessons (no specialist available)	1	(50.0%)
Specialist HPE	1	(50.0%)

2. If HPE is outsourced please give details of what is outsourced and background/qualifications of the people who take the classes?

No details/Not Applicable	2	(100.0%)
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3. Do you prefer to have specialist HPE teachers in your school?

Yes	2	(100.0%)
No	0	

Comments explaining why:

They have specialist skills which classroom teachers do not have

Because their level of expertise, experience and enthusiasm is generally higher than that of the classroom teacher



4. If your school does have a HPE specialist teacher, do they have specific HPE qualifications?

Yes	1	(50.0%)
No details/Not Applicable	1	(50.0%)

5. On average how much time of PE (lesson) engagement do students in your school receive weekly?

None	0	
Half an hour	0	
1 hour	2	(100.0%)
2 hours	0	
3 hours or more	0	

6. When employing staff, do you look at the university certificate/ testamur of potential staff?

Yes	2	(100.0%)
No	0	

7. When employing teachers do you peruse university transcripts of results?

Yes	0	
No	2	(100.0%)

8. As a Principal, would a course that qualifies teachers to be generalist classroom teachers and HPE specialists be of value?

No	0	
Maybe	0	
Probably	1	(50.0%)
Yes	1	(50.0%)

9. Would a testamur/ certificate that read “Bachelor of Primary Education (Health and Physical Education)” assist you with the employment of staff?

No	0	
Maybe	0	
Probably	1	(50.0%)
Yes	1	(50.0%)

10. What are the key attributes of a good HPE teacher?

HPE subject knowledge & dev appropriate pedagogy	2 (mentions)
Passion/ interest/ enthusiasm	1
Rapport/ communication and management skills	1
Planning/ assessment and flexibility (organised)	1

11. Are there any other details you would like to add on the issue of quality HPE experiences for children in schools?

No details/Not Applicable	2	(100.0%)
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Large sized schools (300-600 children) Inner North

- 1 returned survey

1. Which teachers are responsible for HPE in your school (eg. Classroom, specialist HPE, outsourced)?

Specialist HPE	1	(100.0%)
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2. If HPE is outsourced please give details of what is outsourced and background/qualifications of the people who take the classes?

No details/Not Applicable	1	(100.0%)
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3. Do you prefer to have specialist HPE teachers in your school?

Yes	1	(100.0%)
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Comments explaining why:

Allows the teacher (HPE) to concentrate solely on the HPE program

4. If your school does have a HPE specialist teacher, do they have specific HPE qualifications?

Yes	1	(100.0%)
No	0	

5. On average how much time of PE (lesson) engagement do students in your school receive weekly?

None	0	
Half an hour	0	
1 hour	1	(100.0%)
2 hours	0	
3 hours or more	0	

6. When employing staff, do you look at the university certificate/ testamur of potential staff?

Yes	1	(100.0%)
No	0	

7. When employing teachers do you peruse university transcripts of results?

Yes	1	(100.0%)
No	0	

8. As a Principal, would a course that qualifies teachers to be generalist classroom teachers and HPE specialists be of value?

No	0	
Maybe	1	(100.0%)
Probably	0	
Yes	0	

9. Would a testamur/ certificate that read “Bachelor of Primary Education (Health and Physical Education)” assist you with the employment of staff?

No	0	
Maybe	0	
Probably	1	(100.0%)
Yes	0	

10. What are the key attributes of a good HPE teacher?

HPE subject knowledge & dev appropriate pedagogy	1 (mention)
Rapport/ communication and management skills	1
Relationship building	1
Planning/ assessment and flexibility (organised)	1

11. Are there any other details you would like to add on the issue of quality HPE experiences for children in schools?

No details/Not Applicable