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Presentation of findings for Tasmania South East 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 – South East Region

Government schools

Tasmania South East Region schools (total)

Total returned surveys	1
Total Tasmanian government schools	13
% within state	7.7%

Large sized schools (300-600 children) South East Region

- 1 returned survey

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

Classroom teachers and 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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Comments explaining why:

Do not support outsourcing – will not participate

3. Do you prefer to have specialist HPE teachers in your school?

Yes	1	(100.0%)
No	0	

Comments explaining why:

For their specialist expertise, specialised and focussed HPE classes, and all round support to our school's Health and Wellbeing 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	0	
No	1	(100.0%)

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

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

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 curriculum knowledge & dev appropriate pedagogy	1 (mentions)
Passion/interest/ enthusiasm	1
Commitment to school life	1
Team player/ team work/ collaboration	1

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

Federal Government needs to provide at least 2 to 3 hours per week of specialist HPE – particularly if society is to deal effectively with students presently at school with serious lifestyle issues, such as obesity, diabetes and body issues.