



PRESENTATION OF PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION AS UTME SUBJECT

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AUDIENCE: JOINT ADMISSION AND MATRICULATION BOARD

MATTER: Request for Inclusion of Physical and Health Education among Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UMTE) Subjects

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PREAMBLE

- Physical Education/Human Kinetics and Health Education are applied science disciplines/subjects.
- The subjects are taught from the level of primary school to doctoral level at University all over the world.
- Physical Education and Health Education are West African Senior Secondary Certificate Examination subjects since many years ago.
- They are also Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination subjects with National Examination Council

CURRENT SITUATION

- Physical Education/Human Kinetics and Health Education are offered in over 90% of public Universities and Colleges of Education in Nigeria
- Some private Universities also offer courses in Physical Education/Human Kinetics and Health Education
- Currently, there are well over 100 professionals who are at professorial cadre across Nigerian Universities and Colleges of Education
- All students studying Physical Education/Human Kinetics and Health Education in the Universities and Colleges of Education gained admission only through JAMB.

OBSERVATIONS

- Physical Education and Health Education are not listed among O/L requirements to be considered for admission to study Physical Education/Human Kinetics or Health Education programme in any Nigerian University or College of Education.
- Physical Education and Health Education are not among Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) subjects.
- The two subjects are about the only long standing WASCE and NECO subjects that are currently not UTME subjects
- Candidates who chose to read Physical Education/Human Kinetics or Health Education are at disadvantage with respect to UTME subjects count.

HUMBLE REQUEST

- From the foregoing, it is humbly requested that Physical and Health Education is introduced and be included among Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) subjects.
- I wish to assure that professional resources abound for items development and other support that may be required from us.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Executive Committee members and entire members of the Nigeria Association for Physical, Health Education, Recreation, Sports and Dance (NAPHER.SD), I express deep appreciation to the Registrar and Management of the Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB) for the opportunity to make this presentation which will mark a path of growth and development in our profession.

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