

# An Invitation to Contribute to the History of Physical Education in British Columbia

**Project:**

Movers & Shakers: A Half Century of School Physical Education in BC, 1960-2011

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**Introduction:**

This project is an opportunity to provide a comprehensive history of physical education in the schools of BC for the benefit of teachers, administrators, policy makers, and the general public. With support from the Physical Education of BC Provincial Specialist Association (PE BC) it is anticipated that the results of the study will be shared by electronic media, reports and presentations, and a commemorative book.

**Contents:**

Chronology of key events, developments and issues; stories from people in the field; photographs and other documents; comprehensive bibliography of writings on PE in BC.

**Project Time Line:**

The project must be completed by June 2012. We anticipate an unveiling of our "work in progress" at the 2011 QDPE Conference at Douglas College in October 2011.

**Invitation:**

Please accept this invitation to contribute your story about physical education in the province. Many story themes are possible including, but not limited to, topics such as curriculum developments, recognition awards, dance programs, movement education, gymnastics, teaching methods, provincial organizations, programs for special needs children and youth, local initiatives, political support, school facilities, local program initiatives, rural programs and needs, and teacher education. The over-riding theme needs to be developments and issues over time during the period from 1960-2010, as this is intended to be a historical portrait of the period. We believe that stories from people active in the field are the best way to gather a full picture of the history of PE over the past five decades. We want to hear about your personal stories, thoughts and memories.

**Scope, Time Line, Limitations and Format:**

We welcome written contributions of approximately 500 to 1500 words. Submissions can be made at any time to the email address below, but we encourage people to submit prior to June 30, 2011 if at all possible and the earlier the better. If you plan to write an article for the history, please let us know of this intent, the theme of your work and the projected date of completion. The editorial committee reserves the right to edit submissions for length, style and content as may be necessary. It may not be possible to use all submissions because of space limitations and other factors. Articles need not be foot-noted or otherwise referenced, but where sources are cited standard APA format should be used.

**Incentive:**

People whose articles are accepted for publication in the history will be treated to a Wine and Cheese Gathering on Thursday, October 20, 2011 and a Paddlewheeler Dinner Cruise on Friday October 21, 2011 in conjunction with the 25th QDPE conference.

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