School Physical Activity Award

What is the School Physical Activity Award Program?

The Louisiana Department of Education recognizes that healthy, physically active students tend to have better grades, school attendance, cognitive performance, and classroom behaviors. Schools play a vital role in providing students with opportunities for regular physical activity before, during, and after school. The School Physical Activity Award recognizes exemplary public elementary and secondary schools that make physical activity an intentional part of the school experience and provide meaningful opportunities for students to be active throughout the day.

Criteria

An exemplary School Physical Activity Award school demonstrates a strong commitment to promoting physical activity through:

- Physical Education Classes
- Physical Activity Before and After School
- Physical Activity During School Hours
- Family and Community Engagement Activities
- Staff Involvement

Submission Guidelines

- School systems may submit as many school applications as they wish for consideration in the state-level School Physical Activity Award competition.
- School systems may use the School Physical Activity Award program state-level application for their local selection process or use their own process to identify schools for state-level consideration. If using the state application, the completed application may be submitted directly for state-level consideration.
- All application materials should be saved electronically for future reference.
- State-level applications must be submitted through the online application portal by Thursday, **January 21, 2027**.

More Information

- For more information, visit the Schools and School Systems Awards page.
- For questions, email healthyschools@la.gov