2012–13 Physical Fitness Test (PFT)

Overview for New PFT Coordinators and Physical Education (PE) Teachers

Webinar Overview

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Statute Pertaining to the PFT

California Education Code Section 60800 requires:

- Annual administration of the PFT to all students in grades five, seven, and nine.
- LEAs to administer the PFT between February 1 and May 31.

- Developed by The Cooper Institute (Dallas, Texas).
- Designated by the State Board of Education as the California PFT.
- Primary goal is for students to establish lifetime habits of regular physical activity.
- ❖ Presidential Youth Fitness Program has adopted the FITNESSGRAM¹. It will be fully implemented as part of this program in 2013–14.

¹ The *FITNESSGRAM* and the Healthy Fitness Zone (HFZ) are registered trademarks of The Cooper Institute.

Assesses three fitness components:

- 1. Aerobic capacity
- 2. Body composition
- 3. Muscle strength, endurance, and flexibility
 - Abdominal strength and endurance
 - Trunk extensor strength and flexibility
 - Upper body strength and endurance
 - Flexibility

Test options for the aerobic capacity and body composition fitness areas:

Aerobic capacity

- 20-meter PACER (Progressive Aerobic Cardiovascular Endurance Run)
- One-Mile Run
- Walk Test (only for students 13-years old or older)

Body composition

- Skinfold Measurements
- Body Mass Index
- Bioelectric Impedance Analyzer

Test options for the muscle strength, endurance, and flexibility fitness areas:

Abdominal strength and endurance

Curl-Up

Trunk extensor strength and flexibility

Trunk Lift

Upper body strength and endurance

- Push-Up
- Flexed-Arm Hang
- Modified Pull-Up

Flexibility

- Back-Saver Sit and Reach
- Shoulder Stretch

2012–13 Coordinator Designation

- Link located at http://www.pftdata.org/.
- Requires County Code, District Code, Charter Number, and previous year password to access and update for 2012–13.
- ❖ Due November 1, 2012.
- Superintendent or administrator on form does not match the information on California School Directory.
- Junk/SPAM mail (White list <u>pftdata@sjcoe.net</u>).
- Include Alternate PFT Coordinator.

February 1, 2013

- PFT administration window opens.
- PFT Web site secure District Portal at http://www.pftdata.org/ opens for data submissions.
- Within 48 hours after PFT data are submitted by a local educational agency (LEA), the data correction window opens for that LEA.

May 31, 2013

PFT administration window closes.

June 30, 2013

District Portal closes for data submissions and corrections.

July 5, 2013

- District Portal reopens for data submissions and corrections.
- Preliminary PFT student scored data file is available from the District Portal.

August 2, 2013

PFT summary reports preview through CDE DataQuest site opens. (Preview includes data submitted and corrected through June 30 deadline.)

August 31, 2013

- District Portal closes for data submissions and corrections.
- PFT preview on CDE DataQuest site closes.

September 4, 2013

Final PFT student scored data file is available from the District Portal.

October 8 – 18, 2013

- PFT Annual Public Release
- ❖ Final PFT summary reports available through CDE DataQuest site. (Final included data submitted and corrected through August 31, deadline.)
- Final PFT summary reports and individual student reports available from the District Portal.

February 1, 2014

❖ Deadline for posting 2012–13 School Accountability Report Card, or SARC, on local Web site(s).

Online Calendar

- Provides dates organized by month.
- Provides a list of suggested activities for PFT coordinators to use in organizing for the PFT.
- Major or key activities are highlighted in bold.
- Available from the Resources page of the California PFT Web site at http://www.pftdata.org/.

Healthy Fitness Zones (HFZs)

- Performance Standards set by gender and age.
- No changes to HFZ values.
- For Aerobic Capacity and Body Composition only, Needs Improvement – High Risk renamed to Needs Improvement – Health Risk.
- HFZ charts found on the Administrative Documents page of the California Department of Education (CDE) PFT Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/pftadmin.asp.

Height and Weight

- Height and weight are needed for Aerobic Capacity and Body Mass Index (Body Composition) calculations.
- Missing or incomplete height and weight result in more warnings to the data than any other warning category.
- Students with PACER laps or One-Mile Run times who are missing height and weight are scored as Incomplete and reported as Needs Improvement – Some Risk.

Data Submission

- Data submission deadline is June 30.
- Web Data Upload
 - Data is submitted online by uploading a file in tab-delimited format.
 - Once upload is complete, the coordinator is notified via e-mail.
 - Available through June 30 and July 5 to August 31.
- Web Data Entry
 - Data is entered online on a secure data correction form.
 - Good option for LEAs with small numbers of students.
 - Data checked for errors during the data entry process.
 - Available only through June 30. Not available July 5 to August 31.
- More information about these two applications can be found in the PFT Coordinator Manual or Submitting Data Training Module available from the Modules, Videos, and Training Web page of the California PFT Web site at http://www.pftdata.org/.

- Log in and check your submission once you receive the automated notification that processing of the uploaded file is complete.
- ❖ Data can be reviewed, corrected, or a new file submitted any time between February 1 and June 30, 2013 and between July 5 and August 31, 2013.

BIA and **BMI**

- Not the same and cannot be interchanged.
- In the student data file, the BIA field is for the percent body fat obtained using a Bioelectric Impedance Analyzer.
- BIA is not the same as BMI or Body Mass Index.
- BMI a value calculated by the contractor during the scoring from the student height and weight information. (BMI is not a value calculated by the LEA for PFT purposes.)
- Only the BMI obtained from the student height and weight is used in the calculation of VO₂max for Aerobic Capacity.
- Over 12,000 students had BIA values reported, which equaled the calculated BMI (within one tenth of a decimal point).

Data Outside of the Valid Ranges

- "1" is the lowest possible score for the Curl-Up, Push-Up, Modified Pull-Up and PACER.
- "12" is the highest possible score for the Trunk Lift and Back-Saver Sit and Reach.
- Left and right sides must be reported for Shoulder Stretch and Back-Saver Sit and Reach.
- Complete data required for Aerobic Capacity and Body Composition.
- ❖ A 0 should be used for test where student scored a 0 such as the Flexed-Arm Hang, Trunk Lift, and Back-Saver Sit and Reach. Nontested areas are left blank.

School Code Errors

- School code is missing.
- School Code is not valid for the LEA.
- 0000000 is not an allowable School Code.
- ❖ 0000001 is only allowed for Non-Public School (NPS) students.
- CCDDDDD is only allowed for students who are enrolled in independent study or home hospital programs.
- Verify School Codes by searching the CDE California School Directory Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/sd/.

June Test Administration

- PFT administration window is February 1 to May 31.
- LEAs with approved waivers due to block scheduling may test before February 1.
- Absolutely no PFT administration allowed after May 31.
- Any student record submitted with PFT Start Date after May 31 will flag with an error.
- Student records with errors are not scored.

Key Web Page

California Department of Education PFT Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/

- Healthy Fitness Zone Charts
- FITNESSGRAM Equipment and Test Options
- Understanding the 2012–13 PFT
- PFT Results and information on PFT exemptions
- Link to The Cooper Institute and Human Kinetics

Key Web Page

California PFT Web site at http://www.pftdata.org/

- District Portal
- Coordinator Designation
- PFT Resources
- Modules, Videos, and Training
- Help Center FAQs

Key Web Page

California PFT Web page Resources at http://www.pftdata.org/resources.aspx

- PFT Coordinator Manual
- PFT Reference Guide
- Student Data File Layout
- Calendar

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