ASSESSMENT WEBSITE INFORMATION

College: Education **Degree Program: Physical Education BSE**

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DATA SAY:

The most current official report of student pass rates Praxis II Assessment Report for Physical Education/Wellness/Leisure June 1, 2010-August 31, 2011 on the Health and Physical Education Content Knowledge Test and the Physical Education: Movement Forms Analysis and Design Test. This report indicated that the pass rate for 38 ASU physical education students was 100%. However, Education Testing Service score reported 33 of the 38 students took the Principles of Learning & Teaching (PLT) Test, 19 passed and 14 failed providing only a 58% pass rate.

SO WHAT:

It is the goal of the program to prepare and ensure that our pre-service physical education teachers are qualified to teach the subject matter they are assigned or elect to teach. The faculty will continue to emphasize students' understanding of content knowledge to maintain and facilitate high evaluations. However, the faculty is alarmed by the low pass on the Praxis II, PLT. As a result, many students struggle to get their licensure after graduation. The faculty has informally been asking students their perception of the problems they encountered and has been providing students with additional test-taking information. The two key responses from students regarding problems with the test have been that (1) the test addresses content that the students do not perceive as relevant to physical education and (2) they have difficulty finishing the timed test.

HOW WE CHANGED:

During the 2010-2011 academic year, faculty developed a Praxis II, PLT plan of action to include a more formal means to determine the area(s) in which students are having difficulty and a means to more fully assist the students in preparing for the test.

WHAT WE GOT:

Test results will not be released until June, 2012.

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