

Sport England Survey

The school are taking part in a Sport England Teacher training programme to help improve attitudes and experiences of PE and physical activity. This is a nation wide campaign that has already taken part in 2,500 secondary schools in England.

For this, the project requires the opinions of students to be gathered in two surveys to monitor its impact and contribute to the nationwide research conducted by Sheffield Hallam University.

Information can be found in the letter below.

A link will then be shared to your child's PE Google classroom page in a week's time to complete the survey.

If after reading the information you would not like your child to take part in the research, please complete google form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-bYAyGMQA12fH7V09i8LiFlcxqcKM_ee4aUv43UzU0Q/edit

Your faithfully

Mr Bunce
Subject Leader for PE.

Dear Parent /Carer

Sheffield Hallam University would like to inform you about research taking place at your child's school to evaluate the effectiveness of a new initiative to improve students experience of PE and physical activity, that is currently being offered to all secondary schools in England. The research project requires students to complete a short on-line survey that asks their opinion of the Physical education, physical activity and sport opportunities available to them at school.

The University undertakes research as part of its function for the community under its legal status. Data protection allows us to use personal data for research with appropriate safeguards in place under the legal basis of public tasks that are in the public interest. A full statement of your rights can be found at <https://www.shu.ac.uk/about-this-website/privacy-policy/privacy-notice/privacy-notice-for-research>. However, all University research is reviewed to ensure that participants are treated appropriately, and their rights respected.

All data from the study is anonymous and your child's data will be combined with those of many others and summarized in a report to further protect their anonymity. A "prefer not to say" option is included for any demographic question should you prefer your child not to disclose this information. Your child's school will receive a report detailing the data that is inputted into the survey, however, any demographic information that is collected will not be included and the identification of individuals from the data will not be possible. Sport England and the Secondary Teacher Training Consortium will also receive regular reports detailing the results of the survey from all schools across the country. Again, these are fully anonymised, and no individual will be identifiable. To communicate our research to the public and the academic community your anonymised data is likely to form part of a research publication or conference presentation or public talk.

The survey will be administered once at the beginning of the research and again at the end to document any change in response. The research will take place between April 2021 and July 2022, data will be kept by Sheffield Hallam University for a period of ten years after the completion of the project before being destroyed.

In addition, your child's school may be chosen to take part in some small workshops that would take place in school time. Further information will be provided if and when your child's school is chosen.

If you would like your child to **not** participate in the research study, please could you let your child's school know? Your child will also be required to give their consent for us to use their response in the research, this will be done by ticking a box on the survey.

Please note that your child's non-participation in the study will not result in any negative influence of participation in comparison to your child's peers. It will mean that they will not participate in the survey and workshops should your child's school be chosen.

If you would like any further information, please see the attached **information** sheet or please get in contact with Tim Vernon (details below).

Best wishes,

Tim Vernon

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- You have concerns with how the research was undertaken or how you were treated

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