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Dear Headteacher

Norfolk PE Teaching Competence Standards (NPETCS) Nominate your Outstanding Teaching Assistant for a County Award

I am writing to you as a headteacher of a Norfolk school who may* have supported a candidate with and through the Norfolk PE Teaching Competence Standards programme.

* No I haven't supported a candidate, but I would like to know more about the benefits that this programme offers.

I have included details of the next Norfolk PE Teaching Competence Standards (NPETCS) programme in case, as a school, you have not yet benefited from this approach to sustaining and delivering a high quality pupil experience and entitlement to high quality PE.

* Yes, I have supported a candidate through NPETCS.

I hope that you have found that having a suitably qualified TA has not only afforded you greater flexibility but that you feel there has been an increase in the quality of provision, standards achieved in PE and pupil enjoyment.

I am writing to provide you with the opportunity to recognise and celebrate the contribution that your NPETCS trained Teaching Assistant/HLTA makes. This year, like last, we are presenting a high profile award to the Teaching Assistant who has made a **significant** impact on the quality of provision, teaching and learning for the young people in their school. Nominations are thus sought from you for an overall winner and runners-up from across the county for the award of:

NPETCS Trained Teaching Assistant making the most significant impact on High Quality PE

Last year the award was won by Ann Cottingham from Cobholm Primary School for her outstanding contribution to the school in and through PE and sport. Runners-up included Debbie Savage from Great Witchingham CE VA Primary, Bridget Pemberton from Eastgate Primary and a special recognition award for Terry Keating from Catton Grove Primary – could your TA be this year's winner? Please consider taking this opportunity to reward, celebrate and nominate for the award of:-

NPETCS Trained Teaching Assistant making the most significant impact on High Quality PE

The award will be made by senior executives and politicians from Norfolk County Council in March 2012 at a high profile presentation and press call. In order to nominate your NPETCS trained staff, headteachers need to complete the attached nomination form and return it to Danielle Youngs, at Norwich PDC, by 31st December 2011. The nomination form is simple and only requires bullet points. Headteachers of short listed staff will be contacted for a more formal chat and for me to prepare a case study to showcase the work of the school and the impact that the NPETCS staff member has had in particular. The winner and runners up will be notified in mid January for the formal presentations on 2 March 2012 at County Hall.

Headteachers may wish to consider such areas as:

- Quality of Teaching and Learning
- Planning and organising PE in the school (possible role as Subject Leader)
- Involvement with whole school issues
- Involvement with supporting and enhancing the out-of-hours provision
- Increasing the profile, engagement and uptake of PE and sport within the school
- Rapport with young people, inspiring, motivating acting as a positive role model

I very much hope that you will feel that you can nominate your NPETCS trained staff member for this award and I look forward to receiving your nomination. Should you have any further queries or questions about this special award then please do not hesitate to contact me on the numbers above.

Kindest regards

Martin Radmore

Lead Adviser – Manager Traded Targeted Teaching Services and County Physical Education Adviser

Enclosed: Nomination Form 2012 NPETCS Course Details



Last years winner Ann Cottingham, from Cobholm Primary, Great Yarmouth being presented with her award by Leader of Norfolk County Council, Derrick Murphy and Norwich City star Chris Martin.