

Dear House Education Committee:

My name is Margret Bush and I am the president of the Student Union at North Kingstown High School. I am writing to you today in support of H7561, a bill that would allow any student to take an Adaptive Physical Education class for the same credit as regular PE class. As a student, I urge you to support this bill because it will improve on the pre-existing coeducational culture in our schools. The current "Peer Partner" program North Kingstown High School has does an excellent job connecting students with disabilities to abled students, but falls short in that it requires students to take the class on top of their current PE requirements. This bill would remove that barrier and make creating and maintaining connections between students much easier.

Thank you for taking the time to read my remarks, and I hope you support this bill through the legislative process. Please feel free to contact me at margret_bush@students.nksd.net with any questions.

Sincerely,
Margret Bush