

## 2017/18 SCHOOL GAMES MARK TIMELINE FOR SCHOOLS AND SGOs

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Ensure that you and your schools are made aware of the new criteria for 2017/18. There are eight changes to the prerequisites in addition to other changes for the Bronze, Silver and Gold criteria; these are largely around the inclusion of physical activity measures. Plan your engagement strategy for School Games Mark 2017/18 with actions needed to engage, maintain and progress your schools. Consider when it might be best to deliver your Physical Activity CPD offer to schools. This could be part of an event or PE co-ordinator meeting that you have already planned. Alternatively, if you don't have plans to meet with your schools yet then you should consider where you might fit this in your calendar. You will need to allow at least one hour for the delivery (although additional content is available to make this a longer session if required). Content will be provided and SGOs can draw down funding before 31 March 2018, to cover event costs. More information is to follow.	Autumn Term 1	Familiarise yourselves with the new School Games Mark criteria for 2017/18 as there are several changes to both the prerequisites and the Bronze, Silver and Gold criteria. Once you have identified any gaps or your priority areas for development, speak to your SGO about working towards School Games Mark criteria. Put systems in place to identify your least active students and to track participation in extra- curricular activity for the year ahead. Add the date of your School Games Day to your dashboard on the School Games website. Consider how you will capture the data needed to evidence your application.
Encourage your schools to register on www.activeschoolsplanner.org and to complete the self-review available on this website. Share the date of your Physical Activity CPD opportunity for schools and submit the date to YST. Ensure your schools have a clear understanding of the new Personal Challenge criteria and consider sharing some examples/ideas with them.	Autumn Term 2	Register your school on www.activeschoolsplanner.org. This is a prerequisite for School Games Mark application. If you are hoping to apply for Silver or Gold level then ensure you have completed the self-review on www.activeschoolsplanner.org which will generate a personalised action plan to help you become an Active School. Contact your SGO and make sure you have the date and venue for your Physical Activity CPD. Attendance at this CPD is a prerequisite for the School Games Mark.















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Remind your schools to complete the IHC on the School Games website. Ensure you have submitted a date for your planned Physical Activity CPD. This date must be submitted to YST before 31 March 2018 in order for you to access funding to cover the event costs (your planned delivery date can be after this deadline). Start to book in 1:1 sessions/group clinics with schools to support them with the application process.	Spring Term 1	Complete the Inclusive Health Check on your dashboard of the School Games website. This must be completed as it is a prerequisite for the School Games Mark. Check the criteria for the School Games Mark – if there is anything you haven't got in place or don't understand, contact your SGO. For example, do you have the right number of competitions/festival entries planned in for your students?
Identify any of your schools that haven't yet completed the IHC, offer some support and remind them that this is a prerequisite of the School Games Mark application.	Spring Term 2	Has a representative from your school engaged with your SGO and attended the Physical Activity CPD this academic year? If not, please contact your SGO as soon as possible as this a prerequisite for the School Games Mark application.
Remind your schools of the opening and closing dates for School Games Mark applications this year. Consider hosting a workshop/clinics to support schools who need it or are submitting for the first time.	Summer Term 1	The application window opens. You can start to add some of your data online and save it throughout this term if you are not ready to submit.
Remind schools of the closing date, encourage applications and offer support to those schools applying for the first time.	Summer Term 2	Closing date for submissions.











