## 2010-11 California Physical Fitness Test Results

Lowell Joint School District

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## Background

- California Education Code Section 60800 requires each school district to administer a physical fitness test annually to all students in grades five, seven, and nine
- The State Board of Education designated the FITNESSGRAM as the required Physical Fitness Test (PFT) to be administered to students

### California Physical Fitness Test

- The FITNESSGRAM assesses three fitness components:
  - Aerobic capacity
  - Body composition
  - Muscle strength, endurance, and flexibility

### California Physical Fitness Test

- The fitness component of muscle strength, endurance, and flexibility is divided into four fitness areas:
- Abdominal strength and endurance
- Trunk extensor strength and flexibility
- Upper body strength and endurance
- Flexibility

# Test Options for the Fitness Areas:

- Aerobic capacity
  - PACER (Progressive Aerobic Cardiovascular Endurance Run)
  - One-Mile Run
  - Walk Test (only for ages thirteen or older)
- Body composition
  - Skin Fold Measurement (estimates percent of fat)
  - Body Mass Index (compares weight and height)
- Abdominal strength and endurance
  - Curl Up

- Trunk extensor strength and flexibility
  - Trunk Lift
- Upper body strength and endurance
  - Push-Up
  - Modified Pull-Up
  - Flexed-Arm Hang
- Flexibility
  - Back-Saver Sit and Reach
  - Shoulder Stretch

### Performance Standards

Each student's performance is classified into the HFZ or other

zones, depending on the fitness area, as follows:

#### **Aerobic Capacity**

Healthy Fitness Zone

Needs Improvement

Needs Improvement – High Risk

#### **Body Composition**

Very Lean

Healthy Fitness Zone

Needs Improvement

Needs Improvement – High Risk

#### Muscle Strength, Endurance, and Flexibility

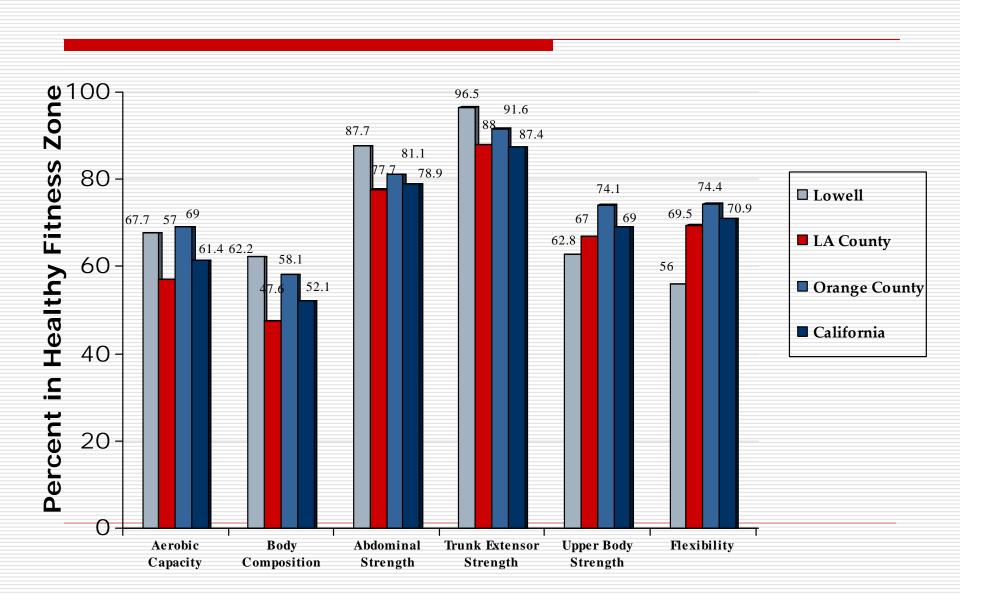
Healthy Fitness Zone

Needs Improvement

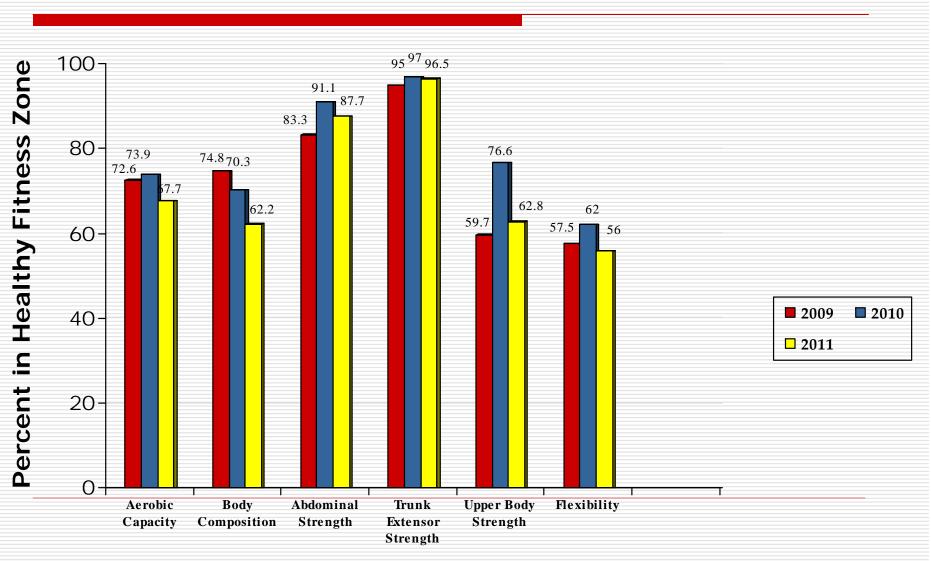
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- Desired performance standard for each test option is the Healthy Fitness Zone
- NI High Risk specifically indicates increased health risks due to the student's level of fitness.
- Criterion-referenced performance standards have been established according to gender and age

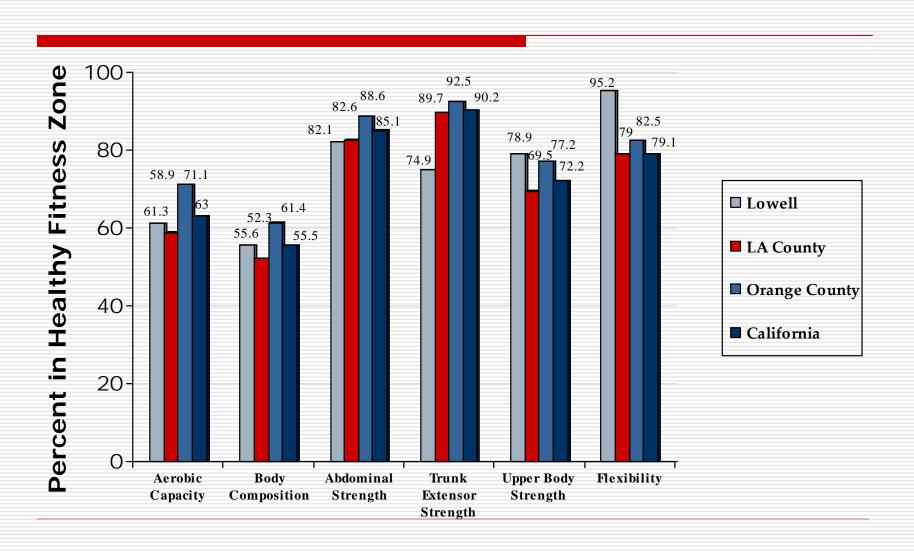
#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Results Physical Fitness Tasks



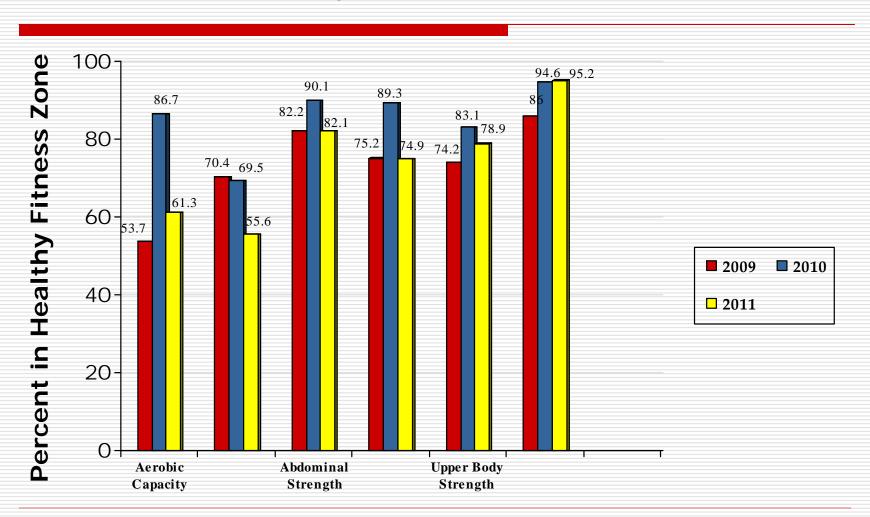
#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Results Physical Fitness Tasks Three-year Comparison



#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Results Physical Fitness Tasks



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## Conclusions

#### 5th Grade Results

- 25.5% of District students achieved 6 of 6 standards as compared to 25.2% in the State
- 27.3% of District students achieved 5 of 6 standards as compared to 23.2% in the State
- District students were above the State average in the areas of aerobic capacity, body composition, abdominal strength, and trunk extensor strength

## Conclusions

#### 7th Grade Results

- 29.1% of District students achieved 6 of 6 standards as compared to 32.1% in the State
- 32.1% of District students achieved 5 of 6 standards as compared to 22.8% in the State
- District students were above the State average in the areas of body composition, upper body strength, and flexibility

## Conclusion

- Strong Body, Strong Mind
  - The District is committed to promoting student health through;
    - □ Physical Education Program
    - Serving Healthy Meals
    - Wellness Policy
    - ☐ Jog-a-thons, Turkey Trot, Jump-a thons, Fun Run, Boot Camp, dance-a-thons, etc...
  - The District will continue to promote physical activity during and after school