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STUDENT SECTION -- American Association for Health, Physical Education and  
Recreation

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To: The President of the Health and Physical Education Club for Major Students

Dear Fellow-Student:

As Chairman of the Student Section of the Southern District, and in the absence of a National Chairman, I have been asked to initiate plans for the students at the National Convention in New Orleans.

This is an especially important year for major students because Dr. Anne Schley Duggan, president of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation has appointed a Committee on Student Section which is studying the problem of the need for a national Student Section. This committee will draw up recommendations and from then on it is up to the students themselves to really initiate and organize a national student section, and perhaps other district and state sections where these do not already exist. This seems to me a great challenge to all students and the responsibility for this project rests firmly on the shoulders of each and every one of you. Are you ready to take on this increased participation in the affairs of your Association?

The three most immediate problems which confront us at this time are: (1) Plans for the national convention next spring, (2) Suggestions for the organization of a national student section, and (3) Ways and means of increasing our membership in State and National Associations, and attendance at professional conventions. Will you consider these with me in that order and then jot down the reactions and thoughts of your entire group to the list of questions accompanying this letter?

First: The dates for the convention proper are April 15-18 inclusive. Two student professional meetings have been scheduled--one on Friday, April 17 from 4:00-6:00, and the other on Saturday, April 18 from 11:30-1:00. A fuller report of convention plans will be sent to you later. Right now, I need the suggestions of every major and minor, so that the student committees which will be working on these plans will know what you would like in the way of social and professional meetings at this convention.

Our second big problem as listed above is the organization of a National Student Section. This will be probably one of our main projects at New Orleans. A tremendous task lies before us if we accept the responsibility of initiating this organization. One question which greatly interests me is: Are we willing to take the responsibilities which would be involved in such an undertaking, and next, how should this section be organized? One point that we should keep in mind is that we should have an integration of our organization through the state, district, and national student sections similar to that used by other sections of the A.A.H.P.E.R.

And last, but by no means least, is the big job of increasing our membership as students in state and national associations and in increasing our attendance at their conventions. This is directly related to the coming convention and the plans for a national student section, for unless we have a large, widespread student membership and attendance at conventions our student