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Milwaukee Public Schools

## Governor's Council gets MPS appointee

### *Brett Fuller is district's Wellness & Prevention expert*

Brett Fuller, MPS Curriculum Specialist for Wellness & Prevention has been appointed to the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Health.

The purpose of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness & Health is to promote the Governor's agenda on children's health issues, primarily in the areas of nutrition, physical fitness, early childhood development, tobacco use prevention, and access to oral health care. There is more information on the Council at <http://www.fitness-health.wisconsin.gov/>



The Council recognizes schools across the state with its **Governor's School Health Award** given to schools with policies, programs, and the infrastructure to support and promote healthy eating; physical activity; alcohol-, tobacco-, and drug-free lifestyles; and parental and community involvement. Since 2006, 39 awards have been given to exemplary schools. Last school year (2008-2009) two MPS schools won the Governor's School Health Awards. Cooper Elementary was honored with the gold, while Thoreau Elementary earned honors at the silver level. In October 2008, the entire district was honored as a Governor's Worksite Wellness Award Winner. "MPS is dedicated to working to improve the health and wellness of its students through the Student Wellness Functional Plan and the MPS Strategic Plan," said Brett Fuller. "The district understands that children need to learn to be healthy and need to be healthy in order to learn."

MPS is the largest public school district in the State of Wisconsin, with 198 schools serving more than 85,000 students. Achievement and improvement are guided by the MPS strategic plan *Working Together, Achieving More*. For more information call MPS Communication Director Roseann St. Aubin, (414) 475-8237.



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