1. **Can we apply for ESP even though our school is not academically exemplary?**

   ANSWER: YES, ESP and academic ratings are two separate recognitions provided by two different entities.

2. **Can my teaching assistant or paraprofessional count in our student to teacher ratio?**

   ANSWER: Yes, but this option is only available for Level 3 of Criteria 12. The use of a paraprofessional or teaching assistant to reduce the student to teacher ratio must be included in the Safety Plan.

3. **How do I get a copy of my TAHPERD Membership Card?**

   ANSWER:
   - Login to your TAHPERD Account (At the top of the home page, click on “Sign In.”)
   - Enter your user name and password. This will take you back to the home page.
   - At the top, click on your name. This will take you to your TAHPERD account.
   - Click on the Membership card on the left had side of the screen to print your card.

4. **How do I get a diagram of my gym?**

   ANSWER:
   - Contact your campus administration for a facilities map.
   - You can also utilize your fire escape route map if you have that in your gym.
   - Draw the dimension of your instructional space(s) on paper and scan electronic format or create a diagram in Word or other software.

5. **What lessons are considered adventure outdoor education?**

   ANSWER: Adventure outdoor education draws upon the philosophy, theory, and practices of experiential education and environmental education. Outdoor education students participate in a variety of adventurous challenges and outdoor activities such as hiking, archery, fishing, orienteering, climbing, canoeing, ropes courses and group initiative games.

6. **Why put forth the effort to submit an Exemplary School Program application?**

   ANSWER: It’s a tool to advocate for your program and for the benefits of HPERD programs. It allows you to start a conversation with stakeholders and administration on your campus about what you are doing and areas to improve.