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## Indiana's Hamilton Southeastern Schools Begin Cricket

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On February 13, PE teachers from the Hamilton Southeastern School District in Indiana received American Cricket Champ sets and training from Jatin Patel of the Indiana Youth Cricket Association. Heidi Stan, Riverside Junior High Physical Education Department Chair, sent this message to USYCA about her experience:

"In June 2011, I attended the Physical Education Summer Institute to look for new and innovated ways to teach and curriculum ideas. This is where I met Jatin Patel and his cricket team. They gave a demonstration and instructions on how to implement this into a classroom setting.

We invited this group to Riverside Jr High on February 13 to do a two hour training session for our staff (of which none had previously played). We reviewed packets of information as well as practiced the basic lead up skills and game play. We were given two sets (for six teachers: Mike Mozingo, Jenny Berju, Matt Mayhew, Scot Houck, Nick Bizila, Heidi Stan - student teacher is Erin Trimpe) to use in our gymnasiums.

All six wellness classes (teachers) will be playing cricket for a 2 week period in-class. I believe as we get comfortable teaching, we will progress and get to the point where we need clarification/more instruction.

We will introduce the unit with the basic introduction of skills needed for game play:

1. History & playing field
2. Introduction of basic skills : ball, bat, fielding, bowling, batting and strokes
3. Game play

I think it would be great if Jatin's team could pair up with HSE's S.P.O.R.Ts program, the Town of Fishers - recreation department or the YMCA to continue to expose students to the game. Further, there are 2 other Junior Highs that maybe interested in our district (HSE Jr High: Karen Boyd and Fishers Jr. High - Andrea McMurtry)

We want to thank you for the opportunity and look forward to letting you know how it goes in our curriculum."

Heidi Stan - RJH Department Chair

Congratulations to Jatin Patel, and great cricketing to Heidi Stan and Hamilton Southeastern Schools!



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