

Kayla (Watson) Peak

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

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| Ed.D. | 1995 | Texas A&M University-Commerce
<i>Commerce, Texas</i>
<i>Major:</i> College Teaching of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
<i>Dissertation:</i> An Investigation of the Academic Progress of Selected Intercollegiate Athletes Involved in Two Types of Academic Support Programs |
| M.Ed. | 1990 | Tarleton State University
<i>Stephenville, Texas</i>
<i>Major:</i> Physical Education |
| B.S. | 1988 | Tarleton State University
<i>Stephenville, Texas</i>
<i>Major / Minor:</i> Physical Education / English
<i>Honors:</i> Summa Cum Laude |
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

August 2006 – present

Assistant Professor – Department of Kinesiology, Tarleton State University

- Serve as Director of the Graduate Program (August 2008 – present)
 - **Recruit** new students
 - **Advise** current students
 - Develop **marketing** materials
- Teach undergraduate and graduate courses
- Coordinate activities and special events within the adapted physical education program

October 1997 – August 2006

Director – Campus Recreation, Division of Student Affairs, Texas A&M University-Commerce

- Directed six components with Campus Recreation: Aquatics, Climbing & Outdoor Adventure, Facilities, Fitness, Intramurals & Club Sports, and Special Events
- Supervised eight full-time professional staff and 90+ student workers

- Managed an annual budget of \$1.85 million+
- Responsible for annual staff development (professionals) and quarterly in-service training (student workers)
- Served as Project Administrator for a federal grant (NYSP) for three summers
- Served as Project Coordinator for the following construction/renovation projects:
 - **Tennis Courts** – new construction; \$400,000 budget; four courts; March 2005 – December 2005
 - **Sam Rayburn Memorial Student Center** – new construction; \$25 million budget; 100,000 sq. ft.; September 2004 – August 2006
 - **Watson** – renovation; \$25,000 budget; renovated an old cafeteria building into a temporary recreation center during the construction of the Morris Recreation Center; December 2001
 - **Cain Sports Complex** – new construction; \$800,000+ budget; four sports fields, picnic area, concession/storage building; September 2000 – May 2003
 - **Morris Recreation Center** – new construction; \$12 million budget; 97,856 sq. ft.; September 1998 – June 2003
- Spearheaded the organization of the following student referendums:
 - **Rec Sports Fee** – increased the existing fee from \$20 to \$65 per semester; passed with 72% approval; 2002
 - **Rec Sports Fee** – established a new fee of \$20 per semester; passed with 84% approval; Fall 1999
- Taught 6-9 hours (undergraduate and graduate) per year

January 1997 – July 1997

Assistant Professor – Department of Kinesiology, Tarleton State University

- Taught undergraduate and graduate courses
- Served as advisor for undergraduate HPE majors
- Served as director of the Physical Education Activity Program (PEAP)
- Coordinated the Erath County Co-Op Special Education Track Meet

August 1994 – January 1997

Assistant Athletic Director – Athletic Department, Texas A&M University-Commerce

- Served as Senior Woman Administrator
- Served as liaison between coaches and NCAA Compliance Coordinator
- Coordinated ‘game day’ management for TAMU-C athletic events
- Served as director for UIL Region II-AAA athletic events
- Campus liaison for Jay Novacek Football Camp (TAMU-C & Sports International)
- Taught undergraduate courses

August 1993 – May 1994

Senior Academic Advisor – Academic Advising Center, Texas A&M University-Commerce

- Advised students in courses selection and proper course sequence
- Facilitated students admitted to the University on provisional basis
- Participated in orientation and registration

January 1993 – May 1993

Adjunct Professor – Department of Kinesiology, Tarleton State University

- Taught a graduate course
- Served as advisor for HPE majors

Summers 1991 – 1994

Director – Sports Camp, Continuing Education, Texas A&M University-Commerce

- Developed summer recreation program for children ages 5-14
- Served as liaison between counselors, youth, parents, and community

August 1990 – August 1993

Graduate Assistant, Department of HPE, Texas A&M University-Commerce

- Taught undergraduate courses
- Served as advisor for undergraduate HPE majors
- Assisted with ‘game day’ activities for TAMU-C athletic events

August 1989 – June 1990

Assistant Director – Recreation Sports, Tarleton State University

- Supervised wellness program
- Designed individual fitness programs
- Scheduled intramural events
- Assigned and maintained daily work schedules

- Provided monthly budget reports

July 1988 – May 1989

Assistant Tennis Coach – Athletic Department, Tarleton State University

- Assisted in coaching duties
- Prepared budget reports
- Coordinated travel arrangements

October 1986 – May 1989

Supervisor – Recreation Sports, Tarleton State University

- Supervised intramural events
- Trained and scheduled intramural officials
- Officiated various intramural events

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Undergraduate Courses

Adaptive, Corrective, and Developmental Exercise
 Concepts of Physical Fitness
 Critical Thinking (Freshman Success Seminar)
 Health & Kinesiology for Children
 Health-Related Physical Fitness
 Honors Thesis
 Individual & Team Sports
 Organization & Administration of EXSS
 Problems (varied by semester)
 Rhythm & Games for Elementary Grades
 School & Community Recreation
 Test & Measurements (co-taught with Dr. Larry Chaloupka)
 Activity – Racquetball
 Activity – Tennis & Badminton

Activity – Weight Training & Conditioning

Graduate Courses

Adaptive Physical Education
 Administration of Athletic Programs
 Facilities & Equipment in Kinesiology & Sport
 Leadership & Professional Development in Kinesiology
 Problems (varied by semester)
 Readings in Kinesiology
 Research in Kinesiology
 School & Community Health
 Seminar – Issues & Trends in Kinesiology & Sport
 Seminar – Physical Fitness Assessment
 Seminar – Sport Management
 Thesis

PUBLICATIONS & CREATIVE WORKS

Articles

12. **Peak, K.** (2012). Is it time to rebrand physical education? [Issues - editorial response]. *JOPERD*, 83(9), 12.
11. **Peak, K.,** & Butler, R.E. (2012). Creating a culture of volunteerism: Students extend a helping hand while expanding their horizons. *Journal of the Effective Schools Project*; 19:12-17. <http://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph256638/m1/13/>
10. Sillivent, J., Blevins, J., & **Peak, K.** (2012). Energy drinks: Ergolytic or ergogenic? *International Journal of Exercise Science*; 5(3):214-222. <http://digitalcommons.wku.edu/ijes/vol5/iss3/4/>

9. Holsomback, D., & **Peak, K.** (2012). Footwear trends: Should sport & fitness enthusiasts embrace the minimalist movement? *The Sport Journal*; 15. <http://www.thesportjournal.org/article/footwear-trends-should-sport-fitness-enthusiasts-embrace-minimalist-movement> (ISSN:1543-9518)
8. Burnett, J., Yoder, A., Britten, C.F., **Peak, K.**, & Tietjen-Smith, T. (2012). Earphone volume of cardiovascular entertainment systems may be harmful to hearing health. *Focus on Colleges, Universities, and Schools*; 6(1):1-10. <http://www.nationalforum.com/Electronic%20Journal%20Volumes/Burnett,%20Jeffery%20Earphone%20Volume%20Focus%20V6%20N1%2012.pdf>
7. Baker, C., **Peak, K.**, & Guthrie, C. (2011). The faculty-driven model for innovation in teaching initiatives. *Academic Leader*, 27(9), 4-6. <http://www.magnapubs.com/newsletter/story/5841/>
6. **Peak, K.**, & Palmore, C. (2011, June 23). It's time to KO concussions. *The Sport Digest*. <http://thesportdigest.com/2011/06/it%e2%80%99s-time-to-ko-concussions/>
5. Martin, R.C., & **Peak, K.** (2011). Basketball officials: What makes them tick? *Texas Coach*; 55(5):42. (ISSN: 0040-4241)
4. Dilley-Knoles, J., Burnett, J.S., & **Peak, K.** (2010). Making the grade: Academic success in today's athletes. *The Sport Journal*; 13(1). (ISSN:1543-9518) <http://www.thesportjournal.org/article/making-grade-academic-success-today-s-athlete>
3. **Peak, K.**, Martin, R.C., Blevins-McNaughten, J., & Burnett, J. (2009). Special event programming for individuals with disabilities. *KAHPERD Journal*; 81(1):11-16.
2. Ring-Dimitriou, S., von Duvillard, S.P., Stadlmann, M., Kinnunen, H., Drachta, O., Muller, E., Laukkanen, R., Hamra, J., Weeks, S., & **Peak, K.** (2008). Changes in physical fitness in moderately fit adults with and without the use of exercise telemetry monitors. *European Journal of Applied Physiology*; 102(5):505-13. <http://www.springerlink.com/content/r44w2465122p6r14/>
1. Ring-Dimitriou, S., von Duvillard, S.P., Paulweber, B., Stadlmann, M., LeMura, L.M., **Peak, K.**, & Mueller, E. (2007). Nine months aerobic fitness induced changes on blood lipids and lipoproteins in untrained subjects versus controls. *European Journal of Applied Physiology*; 99(3):291-9. <http://www.springerlink.com/content/am6358660nv273x1/>

Abstracts

12. Keefe, M., **Peak, K.**, & Simpson, S. (*accepted*, 2013). Impact of athletic apparel company funding on grass roots basketball. *Research Quarterly for Exercise & Sport*.
11. Holder, M., **Peak, K.**, Gillespie, J., & Burnett, J. (*accepted*, 2013). Scoreboard buzzers and the potential for noise-induced hearing loss. *Research Quarterly for Exercise & Sport*.
10. Sirman, C., **Peak, K.**, Gillespie, J., & Martin, C. (2012). Healthy body healthy mind: Determining the correlation between fitness and academic achievement in a private school setting. *89th Annual Convention Research Abstract Manual; College Division – Research Section; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 81(1):5. http://www.tahperd.org/LINKS/SUB_LINKS/PUBLICATIONS/publications_pdfs/Conv12_research_abstract.pdf
9. Martin, C., **Peak, K.**, Gillespie, J., & Schlieman, N. (2011, December). Player position as it relates to batting averages in baseball. *88th Annual Convention Research Abstract Manual; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 80(1), 13. http://www.tahperd.org/LINKS/SUB_LINKS/PUBLICATIONS/publications_pdfs/TAHPERD_2011Reserach_Abstacts.pdf
8. Coffman, K., **Peak, K.**, Gillespie, J., Priest, J., & Blevins, J. (2010, December). Heart rate response in individuals playing the Nintendo Wii game of boxing. *87th Annual Convention Research Abstract Manual; College Division – Research Section; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 3. http://www.tahperd.org/LINKS/SUB_LINKS/PUBLICATIONS/publications_pdfs/Research_Abstract_Conv10.pdf

7. **Peak, K.,** Schouten, B., & Coffman, K. (2009). Special event ideas for children and adults with special needs. *86th Annual Convention Activity Manual: Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 67-73.
6. **Peak, K.** (2009). Learn to launch your lectures into the upper deck. *25th Annual Summer Conference Activity Manual --- Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 25, 280-282.
5. **Peak, K.** (2008). Academic progress of intercollegiate student-athletes involved in academic support programs. *85th Annual Convention Research Abstract Manual; College Division – Research Section; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 13.
4. **Peak, K.** (2008). Planting deep roots for advocacy in health education. *85th Annual Convention Abstract Manual; Health Division; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 4.
3. **Peak, K.** (2008). Substance abuse: An impossible juggling act. *85th Annual Convention Abstract Manual; Health Division; Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 5.
2. **Peak, K.** (2008). Creating a field day experience for children with special needs. *24th Annual Summer Conference Activity Manual --- Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (supplement)*, 24, 245-251.
1. **Peak, K.** (1996). An investigation of the academic progress of selected intercollegiate athletes involved in two types of academic support programs. *Dissertation Abstracts International*; 56(9):3503A. (AAT 9600125)

Marketing Publications

2. **Peak, K.** (2012). *Kinesiology Graduate Program Social Media info card*. The card was designed by Peak and published by Alpha Graphics, Stephenville, Texas.
1. **Peak, K.,** Vanderpool, J., Vanderpool, R., & Rodriguez, J. (2005). *Texas A&M – Commerce Rec Sports*. Poster designed and published by Prairie Rose Studio, Commerce, Texas. Received the **NIRSA 2005 Creative Excellence Awards; 3rd Place --- Graphic Communication – Facility Publication**; Orlando, Florida.

Editorial Boards

American Clearinghouse on Educational Facilities

Editorial Board Member (2010 – present)

Reviewed the following papers submitted for publication:

- Winning school bonds at the polls; Spring 2012
- Do declining neighborhood economic conditions trump hoped for school renovation renewal benefit?; Spring 2012
- Educational leaders' decision-making processes about instructional technology in a university multiple stakeholder environment; Spring 2012
- Educational equity in rural schools: Analysis of rural Pennsylvania school building needs; Spring 2012
- A better bottom line by design; Fall 2011
- Black student performance and elementary school size; Fall 2011
- Does school size effect students' academic outcomes?; Spring 2011
- The impact of school facility construction and renovation on academic achievement in Texas; Spring 2011
- Maintaining a safe and healthy school environment for learning; Spring 2011

Applied Research in Coaching and Athletics Annual

Associate Editor (2009 – present)

Reviewed the following papers submitted for publication:

- A one-year study of elite female adolescent volleyball players; Spring 2011
- What's the rush? Early recruiting in Division I NCAA athletics; Fall 2010
- Perceptions of Senior Woman Administrators (SWAs), with NCAA institutions, relative to sexual harassment within their own institutions; Fall 2009

Editorial Board Member (2004 – 2009)

Reviewed the following papers submitted for publication:

- Predicting job insecurity in college coaches from background variables; Summer 2009
- Parental motives and summer collegiate basketball camp; Summer 2008
- Circuit training model for golf instruction; Fall 2007
- The observational expertise of elite Australian basketball coaches; Fall 2006
- Two steps forward: The effectiveness of task-pertinent learning strategies on an externally paced task; Spring 2005
- The importance of internal and external motivation factors in coaching; Summer 2005
- Eating habits, weight loss practices, and grades of north Louisiana high school wrestlers; Fall 2004

Applied Recreation Research & Programming Annual

Associate Editor (2011 – present)

TAHPERD Journal

Guest Reviewer (2009 – present)

Reviewed the following papers submitted for publication:

- Development of low cost functional adaptive aquatic equipment; April 2009
- Youth who are educationally disabled and incarcerated: Physical education services in Texas; March 2009

Theses/Dissertations

Served as Chair of the Committee

Sirman, Callie. (2012, August). *Physical fitness and academic achievement in a private school (K-12) in Texas*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Gillespie, Martin.

Dayberry, Whitney. (2012, May). *Discovering a motivation formula: A narrative inquiry of the effect of motivation on exercise adherence*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Martin, Simpson.

Keefe, Matthew. (2011, May). *Impact of athletic apparel company funding on grass roots basketball (2003-2008)*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Newsome, Simpson.

Coffman, Kimberly. (2010, August). *Heart rate response in individuals while playing the Nintendo Wii® game of boxing*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Gillespie, Priest.

Schouten, Brittany. (2009, December). *Motivated to move: The marketing impact of JT Wellness*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Gillespie, Sadler.

Holder, Margaret. (2009, May). *The relationship of noise-induced hearing loss and emission of sound pressure from scoreboards*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: **Peak (Chair)**, Gillespie, Sadler.

Served as a Committee Member

Barmore, Sarah. (2013, August *anticipated*). *The development of trust in Horticulture Therapy programs (working title)*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: McGregor (Chair), Stanley-Stevens, **Peak**.

Carty, Joshua. (2013, May *anticipated*). *Relationship between scheduled free play and academic achievement among third grade students in Texas elementary schools (working title)*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Dissertation Committee: Beaty (Chair), Littleton, **Peak**.

Cedeno, Michael. (2012, May). *Gender and stress-related effects on cardiovascular health outcomes*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: Blevins (Chair), Albrecht, **Peak**.

Groves, Cheryl. (2012, May). *The impact of age and condition of facilities on achievement of senior high school students in Texas (working title)*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Dissertation committee: Littleton, M. (Chair), Johnson, **Peak**.

- Dorris, Denae. (2011, August). *A validation of the effective learning environments assessment (working title)*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Dissertation Committee: Littleton (Chair), Johnson, **Peak**.
- Kaing, Will. (2011, August). *The impact of Tribulus Terrestris on muscular strength gains in male athletes*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: Blevins (Chair), Albrecht, **Peak**.
- Schlieman, Nate. (2010, May). *Player position as it affects batting averages in baseball*. Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas. Thesis Committee: Martin (Chair), Gillespie, **Peak**.

Creative Works

2013 Kinesiology Graduate Playbook

2011 Course Re-Design (KINE 380)

- 2008 Kinesiology Research Symposium** --- *Created* and *serve as director* of an annual event which allows students to showcase their research work in the field of Kinesiology and related disciplines. The event is open to all graduate and undergraduate students majoring in Kinesiology (KINE) and is held each fall semester. All presentations and posters are judged by a faculty review team comprised primarily of faculty from within the KINE department.
- 2008 Rock the Gym** --- *Created* and *serve as director* for an annual event which is designed specifically for children and adults with disabilities. The theme of this special event is a dance. The idea is to create opportunities for movement, fitness, friendship, and fun for those with disabilities. Graduate and undergraduate students majoring in Kinesiology assist with the organization and administration of this event and also serve as ‘buddies’ for all participants.
- 2007 Fantastic Field Day** --- *Serve as director* for an annual event, established in 1990, which is designed specifically for children with disabilities. The theme of this special event is OPERATION: HOO-RAH. The idea is to create opportunities for movement, fitness, friendship, and fun for those with disabilities. Graduate and undergraduate students majoring in Kinesiology assist with the organization and administration of this event and also serve as ‘buddies’ for all participants.

Research Articles (In-Progress)

Peak, K., & Brian, K. *Health and fitness testing: A requirement for college graduation.*

Peak, K., & Brian, K. *Professional development: Creating a career guidebook .*

Johnson, J., **Peak, K., & Burnett, J.** *Developing a career in personal training.*

Peak, K., Burnett, J., & Tietjen-Smith, T. *The status of female coaches in collegiate athletics.*

Peak, K. *Do new athletic facilities positively impact winning percentages in high school football?*

P R E S E N T A T I O N S

Refereed (National)

16. **Peak, K., Guthrie, C., Lambert, B., Sudman, P., & Hanna, D.** (accepted 2013, June). *Faculty Fellowships: Foundation for Building a Thriving Faculty Development Initiative*. Presentation at the annual national conference of the Teaching Professor Conference; New Orleans, Louisiana.
15. Guthrie, C., **Peak, K., Lambert, B., Sudman, P., & Hanna, D.** (accepted 2013, June). *Challenges and Results of Course Re-Design at Tarleton State University*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the Teaching Professor Conference; New Orleans, Louisiana.

14. Keefe, M., **Peak, K.**, & Simpson, S. (accepted 2013, April). *Impact of athletic apparel company funding on grass roots basketball*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, & Dance; Charlotte, North Carolina.
13. Holder, M., **Peak, K.**, Gillespie, J., & Burnett, J. (accepted 2013, April). *Scoreboard buzzers and the potential for noise-induced hearing loss*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, & Dance; Charlotte, North Carolina.
12. **Peak, K.**, Guthrie, C., Sharp, J., Garza, J., & Jafri, H. (2013, February). *Meaningful engagement in the classroom: Ideas for developing active teaching techniques*. Invited presentation at the annual national conference of the Transforming Teaching & Learning Environment hosted by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
11. Maben, S., Edwards, J., Baker, C., **Peak, K.**, Horton, C., & Edwards, A. (2012, September). *Social media synergy: The intersection of academics & social media in a semi-rural community*. Presentation at the annual Social Media Technology national conference hosted by the Howard University & Bowie State University; Washington, D.C.
10. **Peak, K.**, Guthrie, C., Sharp, J., Lambert, B., Garza, J., Baker, C., & Hanna, D. (2012, June). *From sage on the stage to engage: Active teaching techniques*. Presentation at the annual national conference of the Teaching Professor Conference; Washington, D.C.
9. Guthrie, C., **Peak, K.**, Baker, C., & Sharp, J. (2012, June). *Strategies for implementing course re-design*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the Teaching Professor Conference; Washington, D.C.
8. Burnett, J., & **Peak, K.** (2012, March). *The continuing effects of a free university wellness program*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Tampa, Florida.
7. Baker, C., **Peak, K.**, & Guthrie, C. (2011, May). *The faculty fellowship: A vital component of Thriving Faculty Development Initiatives*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the Teaching Professor Conference; Atlanta, Georgia.
6. Osborne, J., **Peak, K.**, & Wentzel, M. (2010, April). *You're invited: Special event programming in campus recreation*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Anaheim, California.
5. **Peak, K.** & Gillespie, J. (2009, February). *Health-related fitness assessment in Texas: Lessons learned*. Presentation at the annual national conference of the Association of Teacher Educators; Dallas, Texas.
4. **Peak, K.** (2008, April). *A one-day recreational experience for children with special needs*. Poster presentation at the annual national conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Austin, Texas.
3. **Peak, K.**, Rodriguez, J., Willett, T., Reed, E., & Mills, B. (2005, April). *What I did at camp! Allowing children into your facilities*. Presentation at the annual national conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Orlando, Florida.
2. **Peak, K.** (2002, April). *Improving the rec center – Everyone counts*. Presentation at the annual national conference of the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; San Diego, California.
1. Bailey, P., Stewart, M., Dick, A., & **Peak, K.** (2002, April). *Student professional development*. One-day workshop designed for undergraduate students at the annual national conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; San Antonio, Texas.

Refereed (Regional & State)

22. **Peak, K.,** & Brian, K. (2012, February). *Innovative marketing: Creating a playbook for your Kinesiology graduate program*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Galveston, Texas.
21. **Peak, K.,** Sirman, C., Gillespie, J., & Martin, C. (2012, December). *Healthy body ~ healthy mind: Determining the correlation between fitness and academic achievement in a private school setting*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Galveston, Texas.
20. **Peak, K.** (2012, January). *Kinecting to rehab: Protocol for using the X-Box Kinect in the athletic training setting*. Presentation at the annual state workshop of the San Angelo Sports Medicine Symposium; San Angelo, Texas.
19. **Peak, K.,** & Brian, K. (2011, December). *Health and fitness testing: A requirement for college graduation*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Dallas, Texas.
18. Martin, C., **Peak, K.,** Gillespie, J., & Schlieman, N. (2011, December). *Player position as it relates to batting averages in baseball*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Dallas, Texas.
17. Coffman, K., & **Peak, K.** (2010, December). *Heart rate response in individuals playing the Nintendo Wii game of boxing*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Galveston, Texas.
16. **Peak, K.** (2010, December). *Dodgeball: Is it really a 'hall of shame' game?* Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Galveston, Texas.
15. **Peak, K.,** Schouten, B., & Coffman, K. (2009, December). *Special event ideas for children and adults with special needs*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Arlington, Texas.
14. Schouten, B. & **Peak, K.** (2009, December). *Log It! How to keep track of professional development experiences*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Arlington, Texas.
13. Key, J., Lochbaum, M., & **Peak, K.** (2009, December). *Teaching improvement ideas for university instructors of activity courses*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Arlington, Texas.
12. **Peak, K.** (2009, July). *Learn to launch your lectures into the upper deck*. Presentation at the annual summer state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; San Antonio, Texas.
11. **Peak, K.** (2008, December). *Academic progress of intercollegiate student-athletes involved in academic support programs*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance; Corpus Christi, Texas.
10. **Peak, K.** (2008, December). *Planting deep roots for advocacy in health education*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance; Corpus Christi, Texas.
9. **Peak, K.** (2008, December). *Substance abuse: An impossible juggling act*. Poster presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance; Corpus Christi, Texas.

8. **Peak, K.**, Carter, B., & Carter, W. (2008, July). *Creating a field day experience for children with special needs*. Presentation at the annual summer state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Waco, Texas.
7. **Peak, K.**, Rodriquez, J., Wilkerson, G., Webb, E., Willett, T., & Moody, R. (2004, February). *Learning to FISH! How to implement a customer service model in your workplace*. Presentation at the annual student leadership Region IV conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; University of Houston; Houston, Texas.
6. Anzivino, K. & **Peak, K.** (2003, October). *Trash cans, clocks & signage: Remembering the little things during facility design*. Presentation at the annual state workshop of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Corpus Christi, Texas.
5. Carroll-Cobb, S. & **Peak, K.** (2003, March). *An examination of the barriers to utilization of worksite fitness facilities*. Presentation at the first annual 'Take Heart Alaska: A New Day in Cardiovascular Health' conference; University of Alaska-Anchorage; Anchorage, Alaska.
4. **Peak, K.** & Anzivino, K. (2001, October). *Rec centers --- How to get from design to construction*. Presentation at the annual Big XII & Friends regional conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; College Station, Texas.
3. Brimi, B., Gray, S., Milam, M.E., & **Peak, K.** (2000, February). *Administrative issues within the field of recreation*. Presentation at the annual student leadership Region IV conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; San Marcos, Texas.
2. Tallach, T., Chaloupka, L., Weeks, S., & **Peak, K.** (1998, December). *Intramural participation and gender equity*. Presentation at the annual state conference of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance; Dallas, Texas.
1. Tallach, T., Chaloupka, L., & **Peak, K.** (1998, February). *Gender equity: A benchmark for intramural participation*. Presentation at the annual student leadership Region IV conference of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association; Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Invited

8. Dottavio, L., Hunter, D., & **Peak, K.** (2011, April). Panelist for the Delta Epsilon Iota's 'The Real World 2' luncheon seminar; Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
7. **Peak, K.** (2010, December). Keynote Speaker for the Winter Commencement Ceremony (Graduate Hooding ceremony); Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
6. **Peak, K.** (2008, August). *DESIRE to be a winner*. Keynote Speaker for the Department of Recreational Sports staff training retreat; Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
5. **Peak, K.** (2004, November). *Building sports facilities*. Invited presentation for graduate students in a sports administration course; Texas Woman's University; Denton, Texas.
4. **Peak, K.** (2004, March). *Facility planning & operations*. Invited presentation for undergraduate students in a sports administration course; Texas Woman's University; Denton, Texas.
3. **Peak, K.** (2002, April). *Finishing strong – How to be a winner*. Invited presentation at the annual Sam Rayburn Scholars Leadership Institute; Texas A&M University-Commerce; Commerce, Texas.
2. **Peak, K.** (1998, March). *Wellness? But I'm only 18*. Invited presentation at the annual Honors Colloquium; Texas A&M University-Commerce; Commerce, Texas.
1. **Peak, K.** (1997, July). *Project: Fit Kids*. One-day workshop for the United States Army – The Corp Group; Fort Hood, Texas.

Non-Refereed

8. **Peak, K.**, Guthrie, C., Sharp, J., Lambert, B., Garza, J., & Baker, C. (2012, March). *Active teaching techniques for the college classroom*. Presentation at the annual Excellence in Teaching Conference; Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
7. Sickels, J., & **Peak, K.** (2011, April). *Determining the success of special event programming for individuals with disabilities*. Poster presentation at the annual College of Education Research Symposium sponsored by Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
6. **Peak, K.** (2011, March). *Teaching techniques for engaging the millennial student*. Presentation at the annual Excellence in Teaching Conference; Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
5. **Peak, K.** (2009, November). *Gratitude: Wellness revisited*. Luncheon speaker for the Wesley Foundation; Stephenville, Texas.
4. **Peak, K.** (2008, March). *Creating a FISH! culture in the classroom*. Presentation at the annual Excellence in Teaching Conference; Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas.
3. **Peak, K.** (2008, March). *Fantastic Field Day – Motivating special needs children to participate*. Luncheon speaker (guest of Joy Edwards) for the Kiwanis Club of Stephenville, Texas.
2. **Peak, K.** (2007, October). *M&M's are really football fields!* Luncheon speaker (guest of Dr. Gary Peer) for the Rotary Club of Stephenville, Texas.
1. Carter, W., Carter, B., & **Peak, K.** (2007, November). *Survey review of a graduate program in health & physical education*. Poster presentation at the annual Pathways Student Research Symposium sponsored by the Texas A&M University System; Stephenville, Texas.

GRANTS & FUNDRAISING

Grants

- \$1,000** Awarded a Research Assistant (graduate), by the Office of Student Research & Creative Activities at Tarleton State University, to assist with transcription of interviews for a Narrative Inquiry research study; Whitney Dayberry; December 2011.
- \$1,500** Awarded a mini-grant, by the QEP Committee at Tarleton State University, for the purpose of developing an *Applied Learning Experience* component for an undergraduate Kinesiology course (KINE 380 – Adapted Physical Education); August 2010.
- \$1,000** Awarded a Research Assistant (undergraduate), by the Office of Student Research & Creative Activities at Tarleton State University, to assist with the development of several surveys related to the *Rock the Gym* special event; Jessica Sickels; August 2010.
- \$4,000** Awarded a mini-grant, by the Texas A&M University System's Disability Training Network, for researching *A Three-Tier Approach to Improving the Health & Fitness of College Students with Disabilities*; August 2008.
- \$55,500** Awarded a federal grant to fund the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) on the campus of Texas A&M University-Commerce; served as Project Administrator; January 2004.
- \$50,000** Awarded a federal grant to fund the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) on the campus of Texas A&M University-Commerce; served as Project Administrator; January 2002.
- \$47,500** Awarded a federal grant to fund the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) on the campus of Texas A&M University-Commerce; served as Project Administrator; January 2001.

\$500 Awarded an internal research grant, by the Graduate School at Texas A&M University-Commerce, for researching *Perceived Barriers to Participation in a Regular Exercise Program*; January 1998.

Faculty Development Grants

\$421 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the AAHPERD national conference in Charlotte, North Carolina; April 2013.

\$326 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the TAHPERD state conference in Dallas, Texas; December 2011.

\$419 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the TAHPERD state conference in Galveston, Texas; December 2010.

\$271 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the TAHPERD state conference in Arlington, Texas; December 2009.

\$345 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the TAHPERD state conference in Corpus Christi, Texas; December 2008.

\$313 Awarded a Faculty Development Grant, by the Faculty Development Committee at Tarleton State University, to assist with travel expenses while attending the NCPERID summer conference in Reston, Virginia; October 2006.

Fundraising

\$3,000 Awarded a monetary gift, from the First United Methodist Church (Commerce, Texas), to assist with the summer feeding program associated with the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP); July 2004.

\$23,500 Created an endowment, at Texas A&M University-Commerce, to be utilized for a \$500 scholarship awarded each long semester to a deserving student worker within the Campus Recreation Department. The endowment was funded by two golf scrambles which were organized and administered by the Campus Recreation staff. The golf tournaments were held in April 2002 & May 2000.

P R O F E S S I O N A L I S M

Membership in Professional Organizations

American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD)

At-Large Member of the Public Relations Committee – Southern District; 1997

IDEA Health & Fitness Association (IDEA)

National Consortium for Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities (NCPERID)

National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA)

Member, Student Professional Development Committee; 2002

National Association for Kinesiology and Physical Education in Higher Education (NAKPEHE)

National Recreation & Park Association (NRPA)

Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (TAHPERD)
[Member #12990 - Expires 10/2016]

Member, Legislative Affairs Committee; 2012-2014

Vice-President, General Division; 2009-2011

- *Member, Board of Directors*

- *Member, AIM Committee (Co-Chair, 2010)*

- *Member, K-12 Administrator-of-the-Year selection committee (Chair, 2010)*

- *Member, Jump Rope for Heart & Hoops for Heart Committee*

Chair, Health Professional Education; 2002

Chair, Health Promotions; 1996

Texas Experiential Ropes Association (TERA)

Certifications

Challenge Course Facilitator; 2007

Providing Dietary Guidance certification; Cooper Institute for Aerobic Research; 2003

Biomechanics of Strength Training certification; Cooper Institute for Aerobic Research; 1997

Texas Teaching Certificate (Lifetime)

All-Level Physical Education – 1990

Secondary Physical Education (6-12) & Secondary English (6-12) – 1988

S E R V I C E

University Service

University-level Standing Committees

- Faculty Development Committee; September 2011 – present
- Academic Assessment Committee; October 2008 – July 2009
- Graduate Council; September 2008 – present
 - Full Member status; Spring 2009 – present
 - Associate Member status; Fall 2008
- Athletic Council; September 2007 – present
 - Chair – Sub-Committee on Athletic Awards Policy; Fall 2008
- Student Service Fee Advisory Committee; September 2007 – August 2011
- University Committee for Disability Services; September 2007 – August 2009
- Teacher Education Council; September 2006 – present
 - Member – Legislative Task Force; January 2009

University-level Select Committees

- CLASS Committee; Summer 2012 – present
- First Year Seminar Committee; Summer 2012 – Fall 2012
- Presidential Honors Program – Honors Advisory Committee; Spring 2012 – present
- Project Graduation; November 2011 – present
- Selection Committee – Leadership & Service Award (Student Activities); Spring 2011
- Selection Committee – Course Re-Design Cohort (CITDE); Spring 2011
- Search Committee – Course Developer (CITDE); Fall 2010
- Search Committee – Athletic Compliance Director; Fall 2010
- Recreation Sports Program Review Committee; August 2009 – August 2010
 - Chair
- Student Endowment Scholarship Committee; Summer 2007 – present
- Catalog Review Committee; Fall 2007 – May 2008

College & Departmental Committees/Task Forces

-- College of Education

- Academic Program Innovation Ad-Hoc Committee (Sid Richardson Foundation); January 2011 – September 2011
- Academic Suspension Hearings Committee; August 2008 – present
- Faculty Partner; Residential Living & Learning; August 2008 – May 2009

-- Department of Kinesiology

- Health-Related Fitness & Professional Development Task Force; Fall 2011 – present
- Director – Graduate Program; Fall 2008 – present
- Coordinator – Practice TExES Exam (teacher certification test); Fall 2006 – present
- Reflections Representative (student teacher ceremony – long semesters) ; Fall 2006 – present
- Graduate Committees

Spring 2013

- Bamber, Clinton (Cody)
- Douglass, Shelby
- Haley, Brittnie
- Johnson, Chase
- Kroll, Karissa
- Liedka, Jacob
- Ray, Billy Jack
- Thiebaud, Kody

Fall 2012

- Armstrong, Kyle (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Priest)
- Boyd, Willie (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Simpson)
- Buckingham, Arthur (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Gardner, Jason (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Graves, John (Micah) (Gillespie – Chair; **Peak**; Sadler)
- Leonard, Stephanie (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Lohse, Kelli (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Martin, Jacob (Gillespie – Chair; Martin; Simpson)
- Moore, Travis (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)
- Murray, Monkario (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Simpson)
- Sauls, Eron (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)

Summer 2012

- Alford, Jenifr (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Gillespie)
- Cantrell, Nicholas (Martin – Chair; **Peak**; Sadler)
- Baize, Reed (**Peak – Chair**; Sadler; Gillespie)
- Barkemeyer, KeSha (**Peak – Chair**; Sadler; Gillespie)
- Gorzalka, Charlie (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Sadler)
- Halliburton, Jason (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Martin)
- Hamilton, Casey (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Martin)
- Johnson, Justin (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Simpson)
- Johnson, Nicholas (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- King, Austen (Blevins – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Reynolds, Julia (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Sadler)
- **Sirman, Callie** (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
THESIS
- Thompson, Cale (Martin – Chair; **Peak**; Sadler)

Spring 2012

- Brian, Katie (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)
- **Cedeno, Michael** (Blevin – Chair, **Peak**, Albrecht)
THESIS
- **Dayberry, Whitney** (**Peak – Chair**, Martin, Simpson)
THESIS
- England, Megan (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Foreman, Veronica (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Howell, Rachel (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Posey, Quentin (Martin – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Remini, John (Chase) (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Ruiz, Bryan (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Stein, Charles (Chuck) (Martin – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Styles, Charles (Kolin) (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)

Fall 2011

- Slay, Brandon (**Peak – Chair**; Crews, Martin)

Summer 2011

- Benjamin, Daniel (Gillespie – Chair; Martin, **Peak**)
- **Kaing, William** (Blevins - Chair; Albrecht, **Peak**)
THESIS
- Lisle, Tara (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Simpson)
- Olomjobi, Segun (**Peak – Chair**; Martin, Sadler)
- Palmore, Chase (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Simpson)
- Sillivent, Joe (Blevins – Chair; Martin, **Peak**)

Spring 2011

- Cooper, Chrissie (Martin– Chair; Gillespie, **Peak**)
- Feild, Tom (Priest – Chair; Martin, **Peak**)
- Garrett, Jon-Michael (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Simpson)
- Huxen, Michael (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Simpson)
- **Keefe, Matt** (**Peak – Chair**; Simpson, Newsome)
THESIS
- Kunkel, Michael (**Peak – Chair**; Blevins, Gillespie)
- McCright, Charity (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie, **Peak**)
- Perkins, Danielle (**Peak – Chair**; Crews, Simpson)
- Rodriguez, Pedro (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie, **Peak**)

Fall 2010

- Bettis, Craig (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Martin)
- Clark, Jordan (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Martin)
- Murray, George (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Sadler)
- Neumann, Lindsey (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Crews)
- Simpson, Marc (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie, Sadler)

Summer 2010

- Barnes, Stephanie (Gillespie – Chair; **Peak**; Simpson)
- Brewster, Christopher (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- Burks, Kelsie (Gillespie – Chair; **Peak**; Simpson)
- Canfield, Samantha (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Martin)
- **Coffman, Kimberly** (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Priest)
THESIS
- Winsett, Cary (**Peak – Chair**; Crews; Gillespie)

Spring 2010

- Coe, Brandi (Simpson – Chair; Martin, **Peak**)
- Gracy, Shay (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Crews)
- Hedrick, William (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Blevins)
- Kendall, Oscar (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Newsome)
- Rivera, Michael (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Simpson)
- Robison, Erica (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Crews)
- **Schlieman, Nate** (Martin – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
THESIS
- Wilhelm, Danielle (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)

Fall 2009

- Fain, Jacob (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Harrell, John (Gillespie – Chair; **Peak**; Simpson)
- Mineo, Chris (Gillespie – Chair; **Peak**; Newsome)
- **Schouten, Brittany** (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)
THESIS
- Synatzske, Logan (Blevins – Chair; Priest; Gillespie)

Summer 2009

- Burton, Richard (Gillespie – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)

- Durell, David (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)
- **Holder, Margie (Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)

THESIS

- Myane, Dan (**Peak – Chair**; Sadler; Simpson)
- Pyburn, Olivia (Crews – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)

Spring 2009

- Arendt, Charla (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Cassidy, John Michael (**Peak – Chair**; Gillespie; Sadler)
- Denson, Brandon (Martin – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Gross, Lisa (Newsome – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)
- Hooper, Will (Simpson – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)

Fall 2008

- Harper, Michael (Martin – Chair; Simpson; Crews)
- McBroom, Nick (Gillespie – Chair; Sadler; Newsome)
- Phillips, Ashton (Gillespie – Chair; Martin; Newsome)
- Stills, ArcTrena (Gillespie – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)

Summer 2008

- Carter, Brent (Gillespie – Chair; Newsome; **Peak**)
- Carter, Whitney (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Coleman, Christina (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Gibson, Leah (Newsome – Chair; **Peak**; Simpson)
- McGinty, Tamisha (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)

- Yarbrough (Newsome – Chair, Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Younger, Jason (Newsome – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)

Spring 2008

- Davis, Lindsay (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Holland, Dustin (Ed Ad major ... **Peak** served on committee)
- Tegeler, Dana (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)

Fall 2007

- Cofer, Henry (Newsome – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)
- Hopper, Natalie (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Reed, Desi (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)

Summer 2007

- Cockerham, Mandy (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Gray, Laura (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Muse, Paul (Newsome – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)

Spring 2007

- Dillard, Robin (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Mariner, Christabel (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Nunley, Lena (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Tallant, Ryan (Newsome – Chair; Gillespie; **Peak**)
- Townes, Thessie (Newsome – Chair; Martin; **Peak**)

Professional Service

- **Chancellor's Research Showcase** – served as co-chair (with Dr. Russell Pfau) for the Texas A&M University System Research Showcase during the Chancellor's Century Club visit to Tarleton State University; Stephenville, Texas; February 2010.
- **Excellence in Teaching Conference** – committee member for the Annual Excellence in Teaching Conference. *Dates include: March 2011; April 2010; March 2009.*
- **Faculty Focus Group** – invited to serve on a panel, sponsored by the Student Affairs & Student Activities Office, to discuss current issues relevant to student involvement on campus; January 2009.
- **Fantastic Field Day** – served as director of the annual special event designed for kids with disabilities. *Dates/participant numbers include: April 2012/190 participants; April 2011/250 participants; April 2010/278 participants; April 2009/308 participants; March 2008/300 participants; March 2007/297 participants.*
- **Flag Bearer** – invited to serve as flag bearer for the College of Graduate Studies at the Presidential Inauguration Ceremony of F. Dominic Dottavio; October 2009.
- **Kinesiology Research Symposium** – served as creator and director of the annual research symposium within the department of Kinesiology. *Dates/participant numbers include: November 2012/30 participants; December 2011/32 participants; November 2010/23 participants; November 2009/23 participants; November 2008/21 participants.*
- **Mentor** – served as a professional mentor for the NRPA's Society of Park and Recreation Educators; partnered with Alison Link at Yeshiva University (NY); Fall 2008.
- **Panelist** – invited to serve as a panelist at a Diversity Forum sponsored by the Residential Living & Learning Department; Tarleton State University; April 2008.
- **Recruiter** – participated in a 'call center' night for the College of Education. *Dates include: April 2010; March 2008.*
- **Research Judge** – served as a volunteer faculty judge at the annual Pathways Student Research Symposium sponsored by the Texas A&M University System. *Various locations/dates include: Texas A&M University-Galveston/November 2012; Texas A&M University/November 2011; West Texas A&M University/October 2010; Texas A&M International University/ November 2009; Texas A&M University-Commerce/November 2008; Tarleton State University/November 2007.*
- **Rock the Gym** – served as creator and director of the annual special event dance designed for kids with disabilities. *Dates/participant numbers include: November 2012/161 participants; November 2011/165 participants; November 2010/171 participants; November 2009/165 participants; November 2008/125 participants.*
- **Speed Stack Competition** – served as the director of the *Speed Stack Guinness World Record Competition* hosted at Tarleton State University; November 2008.
- **Track & Field Computer Specialist** – serve as the Hy-Tek Meet Manager for the UIL Region II – 2A Track & Field Meet. *Dates include: May 2012; May 2011; May 2010; May 2009; April 2008.*

- **Track & Field Computer Specialist** – served as the Hy-Tek Meet Manager for the Tarleton State University Invitational; Track & Field Meet. *Dates include: March 2012; March 2011; March 2010; March 2009.*
- **Track & Field Judge** – UIL Region II – 2A Track & Field Meet; Boys Shot Put; April 2007.
- **TREAT Special Kids Rodeo** – served as a volunteer at the rodeo event designed for children with special needs. *Dates include: April 2008; October 2007; October 2006.*
- **Volunteer** – Family Weekend @ Football; Taste of Texas; Office of Parent Relations; September 2008
- **Writing Proficiency Exam** – served as a grader for the university-wide Writing Proficiency Exam; Tarleton State University; February 2007.

Public Service

Civic Involvement

- Park & Recreation Advisory Board; Stephenville, Texas; January 2011 – present
- Texan Club; September 2007 – present
- First United Methodist Church, Stephenville, Texas; March 2007 – present
 - WOW (Children's Bible Study) Teacher; September 2011 – May 2012
 - Staff-Parish Relations Committee; January 2009 - 2011
 - Member – United Methodist Women (Magdalene Circle); January 2008 – present
- Meals on Wheels (volunteer driver); Stephenville, Texas; March 2007 – present
- Childhood Wellness Initiative Task Force; Stephenville, Texas; January 2007 – May 2007
- Community Health Council; Stephenville, Texas; September 2006 – August 2007
- Facility Review & Planning; City of Commerce, Commerce, Texas; 2003 – 2006
- Meals on Wheels; Commerce, Texas; 1997 – 2006
 - President; 2005
 - Board of Directors; 1997 - 2006

H O N O R S

Teacher of the Year (Physical Education) – awarded by TAHPERD; December, 2012.

Faculty Excellence in Scholarship Award – awarded by the College of Education; May, 2011.

Excellence in Teaching Award – awarded by Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; \$2,500 stipend; July, 2011.

Jack & Louise Arthur 'Excellence in Teaching' Award – presented annually upon recommendation of the Faculty Senate and Student Senate; Tarleton State University; \$1,500 stipend; May, 2011.

ACUI Facility Design Award of Excellence for the Sam Rayburn Student Center; Texas A&M University-Commerce – The Association of College Unions International (ACUI) annually presents awards for facility design. The lead architectural firms were WTW Architects and Gideon-Toal Architects; they were assisted by University Project Managers (**Kayla Peak**, Rick Miller, Brian Nichols – TAMU-C); March 2011

Excellence in Teaching Award – awarded by Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; \$2,500 stipend; Spring, 2010.

Nominee – Physical Education Professional of the Year; Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, & Dance (TAHPERD); 2010.

Faculty Fellow – awarded by the Center for Instructional Innovation; Division of Faculty Innovation in Teaching; Tarleton State University; 2010 - present.

Excellence in Teaching Award – awarded by Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; \$5,000 stipend; Spring, 2009.

NIRSA Creative Excellence Award – The National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) annually presents awards for creative excellence related to marketing. Our team (**Peak, K.**, Vanderpool, J., Vanderpool, R., & Rodriguez, J.) was awarded **3rd Place in the Graphic Communication Division (Facility Publication)** for the marketing poster (*Texas A&M – Commerce Rec Sports*) designed and published by Prairie Rose Studio (Commerce, Texas); Orlando, Florida; April 2005.

Outstanding Alumna – College of Education; Alumni Academic Forum; Tarleton State University; 2004.

Nominee – Recreation Professional of the Year; Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, & Dance (TAHPERD); 2003.

Mayo College Activity Award; Honors College; Texas A&M University-Commerce; 2002.

Alumni Ambassador – Health, Kinesiology & Sports Studies Department; Texas A&M University-Commerce; 1998.