# **Unit Plan - Track & Field**

Lesson One - Discuss and 1500m SPORTS ED BEGINS..... PLAYING FOR PRIDE!!

## Learning Intents

Students will be able to (SWBAT):

#### Psychomotor:

- Grip and throw the discus accurately
- Focus on arm technique (no footwork)
- Release the discus correctly
- Run continuously or as a team for 1500m
- Running technique

#### Cognitive:

- Understand how the release point effects trajectory
- Understand how the rotation of the disc effects distance
- How to pace yourself for middle distances
- Monitor exertion

Affective:

#### Social:

- Create good class atmosphere
- Particpate with a number of different partners
- Reciprocal teaching and positive/constructive feedback

#### Equipment:

- Discus's
- Pylons
- PB sheets
- cones
- Frisbees

## **Sequence of Events**

Change:	
10 minutes	
Warm-up, stretch, discussion:	10 minutes
Discus Initial Activity: minutes	10-15
Discus Skills Breakdown: minutes	10
Final Throw and Record	5 - 10 minutes
1500m:	
15 minutes	
Wrap-up and Change:	15 minutes

## Warm-up Routine

Two Big Pylons 40 yards apart

- Jog
- A-Style Jog
- B-Style Jog
- Heels Up
- Skip with Arm Swing
- Skip with Reverse Arm Swing

### What are we trying to Achieve Today

Cues for Discus Grip

- Discus in throwing hand
- Spread finger out with index finger in line with wrist, down middle of discus
- First knuckles over the disc

#### Cues for Arm Swing

- Feet shoulder width apart
- Disk in throwing hand
- Swing disk level with shoulder
- Do not release
- Catch with other hand
- Maintain elbow extension throughout

Cues for Discus Release

- Release disk palm down
- Squeeze it out of hand like a 'bar of soap'
- Disk should come off index finger
- Clockwise spin for right hander
- Counter-clockwise for left hander

## Initial Activity (10-15 minutes)

- First Throw No Experience
- Measure Results Benchmark for Improvement

### Skill Breakdown (10 minutes) Disc Roll

- Two Partner facing one another
- Roll the discus on the ground to your partner and try to ensure proper spin
- It should roll all the way to your partner on the edge
- Increase distance with success

### Knee Toss

- Break into pairs, one thrower one observer
- The thrower is on their knees
- Shoulders pointing down the range
- Body rotation and release focus
- Observer stays back
- No one retrieves until all is thrown

## Measurement and Final Toss (5-10 mins)

## Standing Toss

- Shoulders facing down range
- Torso twist introduction
- Generating power through the legs
- Release disk down the range
- Same collection procedure as Knee Toss

### **Final Toss**

- Two tosses each to get your PB for the team
- Partner approximates from 5 meter cone placement



## 1500 Meter (15 minutes)

### Run Technique and

### Economy

- Alternating Arm Swing
- Arms and legs swing in opposition
- Slight forward lean and running on front portion of feet

20 Meter Distance Practice Track

#### **Reciprocal Partner Feedback**

- 1500 Meter Relay
- Have them fill in the sheet
- Teams of 6(ish)
- Have to run 1500 meters combined
- Individual can run 100 meters min, 300 max
- Do it 2 o r 3 times
- In between talk team strategy

## Wrap-up (15 minutes)

- Equipment retrieval by students
- Discussion discus and 1500 meter
- Talk for next day (High Jump and 800m)
- See you tomorrow gentlemen

### Name:

## Exit Slip #1

1. For a Right-Handed thrower, what direction should the disk spin?

2. What part of the disk does the index finger line up with?