The 2016 recipient of the NYS AHPERD Distinguished Service Award is Lisa Sherman. Lisa has been a physical education and health education teacher in the White Plains Public School District for the past 21 years. She was an Adjunct Professor at Hofstra University and is a cooperating teacher in health education. Lisa is a dedicated, active member of NYS AHPERD. Her commitment to our Association started as an undergraduate student at SUNY Cortland where she had the distinction of being the first person to officially serve NYS AHPERD as a Future Professional’s Section President. Her active involvement continued and she is now a past president of the Association and currently serving her second term on the Board of Directors. During her presidential rotation, Lisa initiated several advocacy projects including, the New York State’s Report Card: Health and Physical Education ~ Are We Making the Grade?, an advocacy video used to support quality health and physical education, she traveled to Washington D.C. on two occasions to participate in National Speak Out Day, and was instrumental in organizing the first New York State Speak Out Day. She is a past president of the Southeastern Zone, she served as the Southeastern Zone Conference Director for fifteen years, and she is a co-founder of the Future Professionals Leadership Conference. She spearheads an annual session at this Conference called the Cycle of Leadership. Lisa is a sought after presenter; having shared her ideas at the SHAPE America Conference, at numerous Zone Conferences, at the Future Professionals Leadership Conference, at school board meetings and in her own district. A past president wrote, “Working with Lisa is always a great experience. She is motivated and consistently works hard at everything she does. Lisa has the ability to see the big picture and is always a team player. She has given so much to this profession and never misses a chance to get involved and make a positive difference in the lives of others.” Lisa has been honored with the NYS AHPERD Professional of the Year Award, the Southeastern Zone Amazing Person Award, the Health Section Amazing Person Award, the Eastern District Association Student Leadership Award, and the White Plains Middle School PTA Jenkins Award. President Rose it is my privilege to present to you the recipient of the 2016 Distinguished Service Award, Lisa Sherman.