

2023 - 2024
APPLICATION FOR ACCREDITATION



***Special
Olympics***
District of Columbia

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- Application Incomplete
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2023 - 2024 SPECIAL OLYMPICS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR ACCREDITATION

(Renewed yearly)

Instructions: Please complete all requested information and return to SODC. Incomplete forms will be returned. **Please complete and submit an application before the first day of training.**

1. Organization/School/Program

Organization/School/Program Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Full name of the Director or Principal of your Program:

Title of Chief Administrator (ex. Executive Director, Principal):

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Note: Those delegations enrolling in Unified Sports should have a Special Education lead and a general education lead to fill the roles below.

2. Head of Delegation (HOD) for Special Olympic Programs (the organization contact person to Special Olympics)

Name:

Title:

Home Address:

Home # info:

Contact #:

Zip Code	
Home # ()	e-mail
Work #	Cell #

3. Assistant. Head of Delegation (alternate contact person from the organization to Special Olympics)

Name:

Title:

Home Address:

Contact #

Zip Code	e-mail
Work #	Cell #

Please indicate below the sports in which your organization plans to participate in 2023-2024.

- Each season offers a sport option and a fitness option for athletes 8 and above and a Young Athletes Program for athletes 2- 7.
- All sports and fitness apply to both traditional and unified sports.
- Each athlete can participate in either Sports or Fitness, the groups are as follows:

❖ **Fall Sports: August – November**

[] Youth Delegations

- [] Young Athletes Program
- [] Individual Skills & Unified Tennis
- [] Individual Skills Golf (Youth)
- [] Individual Skills & Team Basketball
- [] Unified Bocce

[] Adult Delegations

- [] Individual Skills Golf
- [] Individual Tennis
- [] Unified Tennis (Evening)
- [] Unified Bocce (Evening)

❖ **Winter Sports: November – February**

[] Youth Delegations

- [] Middle & High School Bowling
- [] Elementary School Bocce
- [] Unified Flag Football
- [] Young Athletes Program

[] Adult Delegations

- [] Traditional Bowling (Wednesdays)
- [] Unified Basketball (Evening)
- [] Unified Bowling (Sundays)
- [] Unified East Adult Basketball
- [] Unified West Adult Basketball

❖ **SUMMER GAMES: March – June**

[] Youth Delegations

- [] Athletics (Track & Field)
- [] Soccer skills & Team
- [] Volleyball
- [] Young Athlete Program
- [] Summer Games

[] Adult Delegations

- [] Athletics (Track & Field)
- [] Soccer skills & Team
- [] Unified Volleyball (Evenings)
- [] Summer Games

YOUTH UNIFIED ONLY

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools:

The Unified Champion Schools® approach incorporates Special Olympics sports, leadership and related activities that empower youth to be change agents in their communities. This is a paradigm shift from a focus on events to that of a whole school movement for inclusion.

Special education and general education students alongside educators and administrators are encouraged to collaborate to create supportive classrooms, school-wide activities and opportunities for growth and success for all.

For schools that already have active Special Olympics programs, Unified Champion School will enhance that relationship. For those schools not involved in Special Olympics, Unified Champion School will offer a variety of activities that will educate students about Special Olympics athletes, building inclusive schools and communities of acceptance.

Unified Champion School Initiatives:

Please indicate in the below pillars the events in which your organization plans to participate in 2019-2020

- **New Delegations:** Must choose from a minimum of 1 of the pillars below, but are encouraged to choose more
- **Returning Delegations:** Must choose a minimum of 2 of the pillars below, but are encouraged to choose more

Pillar 1 - Unified Sport: please pick from sports list above

Pillar 2 - Youth Leadership (in the school and in the community):

- Unified Champion Schools Club:** Youth organized
A newly formed or existing school club which plans and carries out activities with Special Olympics athletes in the schools and community events (Polar Bear Plunge/Rallies/Unified Sport).
- Youth Volunteers:** Youth organized
Students volunteering with SODC during training, qualifying trials, competition, and other events (Polar Bear Plunge/Rallies/Unified Sport).
- YAP Leaders:** Elementary Youth organized
Peer to Peer leadership in activities and group discussion (Line leaders, Clean up leaders, peer tutors)
- Other:** _____
(Creative idea or delegation specific event)

Pillar 3 - Whole School Engagement (school-wide activities):

- “Inclusion Revolution”** (R-word campaign): campaign to encourage acceptance and inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities and educate students about not using the R-word through activities such as pledge drives.
- Pep Rally or Assembly:** supporting R-word event awareness campaigns or the athletes competing in Special Olympics
- Dance:** (Prom/Spirit Week/Awareness Day)
- Other:** _____ (Creative idea or delegation specific event)

Signature of Accreditation Agreement

As an accredited organization of SODC we agree to abide by all of the rules, regulations and operating procedures of Special Olympics District of Columbia Board of Directors, Special Olympics District of Columbia Sports Department, and Special Olympics, Inc.

Organization/School/Program Name

Signature of Organization Director/Principal

**Signature of Head of Delegation
(Person that will attend the seasonal meetings)**

Date of signature

Date of signature

PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL TO

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