

Comparison Between Unified Sports® Models



Comparison between Models – Competitive Unified Sports® and Unified Sports Player Development

Competitive Unified Sports	Unified Sports Player Development
Inclusive sports program	Inclusive sports program
Approximately equal number of athletes and partners train and compete	Approximately equal number of athletes and partners train and compete
Similar ability and age	Similar age
Differentiation: 1) Have attained sufficient & necessary skills and tactics to compete without rules modifications or risk of injury	Differentiation: 1) Teammates are not required to be of similar ability
2) Teams competing in this model are eligible to advance to higher levels of play	2) Teammates of higher ability serve as mentors to assist athletes of lower abilities (no advancement beyond this level)
Never comprised solely of individuals with disabilities	Never comprised solely of individuals with disabilities
Awards based on place of finish	Program has choice of providing awards based on finish or participation – same award for all
<p>Profile of Unified Sports Team Competitive Model</p> <p>The graph shows ability level on the y-axis (Higher to Lower) and team composition on the x-axis (Partners to Athletes). Partners (P1-P5) are clustered at higher ability levels, while athletes (A1-A5) are clustered at lower ability levels.</p>	<p>Profile of Unified Sports Team Player Development Model</p> <p>The graph shows ability level on the y-axis (Higher to Lower) and team composition on the x-axis (Partners to Athletes). Partners (P1-P5) are clustered at higher ability levels, while athletes (A1-A5) are clustered at lower ability levels, with some overlap between the groups.</p>

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