



MISSION:

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 1991 and was accredited by Special Olympics, Inc., in 1992

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2013 census):

Registered athletes and participants:	5,585
Coaches:	834
Competitions:	110

GOAL:

To reach 2,800 athletes and participants by the end of 2016

SUPPORT:

The parent’s organization: Uganda Parents of Children with Learning Disabilities (UPACLED), Kampala Capital City Authority and Hoima District Local Government

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 10 athletes competed in the 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Connecticut, USA
- 23 athletes competed in the 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA
- 27 athletes competed in the 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland
- 16 athletes competed in the 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan
- 31 delegates competed in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China
- 8 athletes competed in the 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece
- 14 athletes competed in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea

7 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Football (Soccer)
Power Lifting	Table Tennis	Floor Hockey
Volleyball		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Families and Young Athletes Unified Sports and Youth Programs

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:

With more than 30 languages, English is the official language. The majority of people speak Luganda and Swahili is becoming more popular.

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