

**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 March 1978, Board re-structured in 2013.

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2018 census):

Registered athletes:	10,251
Coaches:	1,128
Competitions:	694

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi, UAE (16 athletes)
- 2015 Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles, USA (4 athletes)
- 2008 Special Olympics World Games in Beijing, China (4 athletes)

4 OFFICIAL SPORTS

National Sports Authority, Ghana Education Service, Graphics Group of Companies and Special Olympics, Inc.

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Athletics	Bocce
Floorball	Football

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Athlete Leadership, Family Health Forum, Healthy Athletes, Unified Sports, Young Athletes, Youth Activation

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES: English and Twi (Akan), Ewe, Ga, Dagbani

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Mr Augustine Kokokor, Board Chair
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