



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 1994

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2019 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 9,535
 Coaches: 536
 Competitions: 281

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Abu Dhabi, Austria (18 athletes)
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Schladming, Austria (8 athletes)
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (23 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (13 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (4 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (16 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (6 athletes)

29 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton
Basketball	Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing
Cycling	Dodge Ball	Equestrian	Fitness
Floorball	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)
Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Handball	Judo	Kayaking
Pitch and Putt Golf	Power Lifting	Roller Skating	Sailing
Snowshoeing	Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball
Walking			

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Unified Sports, Unified Schools, Unified Champions Schools

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