

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 1990

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2022 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 27,741
Coaches: 460
Competitions: 188

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2023 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Berlin, Germany (53 athletes)
- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE (102 athletes and partners)
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Graz & Schladming, Austria (25 athletes)
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (57 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea (26 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece (57 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan (24 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China (46 athletes)

OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Athletics	Badminton	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Cycling
Equestrian	Figure Skating	Floor Hockey	Floorball
Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)
Handball	Judo	Power Lifting	Roller Skating
Short Track Speed Skating	Snowboarding	Snowshoeing	Swimming
Table Tennis	Tennis	Volleyball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Young Athletes, Unified Sports, Unified Schools, Family Health Forum

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