

#### **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 1989

# PARTICIPANTS (per the 2022 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 5,618
Coaches: 173
Competitions: 22

#### **INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2023 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Berlin, Germany (38 athletes and partners)
- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE (26 athletes)
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Schladming, Austria (28 athletes)
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (13 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea (8 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece (12 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan (6 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China (8 athletes)

### **OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Aerobics	Alpine Skiing	Athletics	Badminton
Basketball	Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing
Floor Hockey	Floorball	Football	Futsal
Gymnastics Rhythmic	Kayaking	Power Lifting	Snowshoeing
Swimming	Table Tennis	Volleyball	

## **OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Young Athletes, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Unified Sports, Unified Schools, Unified Champion Schools

#### **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

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