

**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 1970

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2021 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	5,312
Coaches:	860
Competitions:	73

SUPPORT:

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Graz, Austria
- 2015 Special Olympics World Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games in Athens, Greece

15 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cheerleading	Equestrian
Flag Football	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)
Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Snowshoeing	Softball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Young Athletes, Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®

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