



MISSION:

The mission of Special Olympics Texas is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics Texas athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 1969

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2021 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 3,702
 Coaches: 369
 Competitions: 58

SUPPORT:

Recipient of corporate, grant 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, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece

22 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

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| Aquatics (Swimming) | Athletics | Basketball | Bocce |
| Bowling | Cycling | Equestrian | Figure Skating |
| Flag Football | Football (Soccer) | Golf | Gymnastics |
| Kayaking | Powerlifting | Roller Skating | Sailing |
| Softball | Table Tennis | Tennis | Track and Field |
| Triathlon | Volleyball | | |

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Healthy Communities, Young Athletes Program, Special Olympics Unified Sports®, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)

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