



**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 2023 census):**

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	19,186
Coaches:	1,572
Competitions:	375
Volunteers:	9,750

**SUPPORT:**

Recipient of corporate, grant and individual funding

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2023 Special Olympics World Games, Berlin, Germany
- 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

**19 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Athletics	Badminton	Basketball	Bocce
Bowling	Cycling	Equestrian	Floorball
Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics, Artistic	Kayaking
Powerlifting	Sailing	Softball	Swimming
Table Tennis	Tennis	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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