OUR MISSION
Special Olympics provides 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 athletes and the community.

GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

UNIFIED SPORTS: Special Olympics Sports programming in which people with ID (Unified Athletes) and without ID (Unified Partners) train and compete together as teammates.

UNIFIED SCHOOLS: a school or university that conducts Unified Sports opportunities at least 2 times within a calendar year.

UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS®: a program for schools Pre-K through university that promotes meaningful social inclusion utilizing 3 interconnected components: Unified Sports®, inclusive youth leadership, and whole school engagement.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES: a Special Olympics recognition program working to increase access to quality health care and effective prevention programming to improve the health of people with intellectual disabilities through activating public and private sector partners to adopt more inclusive practices, training and empowering athletes and caregivers to become vocal advocates.

YOUNG ATHLETES: a sport and play program for children with and without intellectual disabilities (ID), ages 2 to 7 years old.

LOCAL CLUB / SUB-PROGRAM: an organized local unit / branch conducting Special Olympics activities in a community outside of a school setting.

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