



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 1983

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	3,211
Coaches:	662
Competitions:	0

GOAL:

To reach 5,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2015

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (24 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (28 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (43 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (17 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (14 athletes)

16 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Bocce
Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Cycling	Football (Soccer)
Golf	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Handball	Judo
Kayaking	Power Lifting	Short Track Speed Skating	Snowshoeing

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Young Athletes

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