

What are Special Olympic School Programs?

Special Olympics Ontario (SOO) school programs and events are available for students aged 2-25. Our programs help student-athletes, with and without intellectual disabilities (ID) and challenges, develop physical literacy and social skills, learn about teamwork and inclusion, and be a part of their school's sports teams. Programming spans across elementary schools, intermediate schools, secondary schools, as well as universities and colleges.



Elementary Sports Festivals

Sports Festivals are a series of fun activities that take place across the province and create a pathway for athletes to progress toward participation in structured and/or competitive programs in the future.



Secondary Sports Qualifiers

Secondary School Qualifiers provide quality competition opportunities to student athletes aged 13-21 in five sports: basketball, soccer, bocce, floor hockey, and track & field. Athletes across Ontario are given the opportunity to come together and compete at the School Championships in June.



Unified Programming

Throughout Ontario, SOO brings together athletes and unified partners on one field. Unified programs are involved in both Secondary Sport Qualifiers and University/College Unified intramural sports.





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1. Participate

Anyone who can benefit from our programming is welcome to participate! It's simple to participate in any of our events please email us and we will send you all the registration information.

2. Host

Hosting events in high schools helps promote school spirit, inclusion and provides significant leadership and awareness opportunities. Schools throughout the province help host our Sport Festivals and qualifier events in partnership with SOO.

3. Volunteer

High School leadership classes and students now have the opportunity to support all of school events by hosting one of their own!

