

SPECIAL OLYMPICS WAKE COUNTY INTEREST SURVEY 2014-2015

The Special Olympics Wake County would like to make sure that every eligible athlete is aware of the sports that are offered throughout the year by our program. Please fill out the form and check each sport for which you would like to receive more information. Sport specific information will be sent to you each season, as it is available. Athletes may request to train in multiple sports per season, but training and competition dates may conflict and team sports must take priority.

Special Olympics is a non-profit organization founded to provide sports training and competition **at no costs**, to eligible athletes of **all skill levels**. (Not all sports are appropriate for every athlete, but we try to offer something for everyone) Eligibility: Athletes need to be 8 years of age or older and have an intellectual disability (mental retardation or a closely related developmental disability; like Autism, Down Syndrome, etc). There is a Young Athletes program for 2-7 year olds through participating special education classrooms only. Please call if you have any questions about the eligibility requirements. Athletes are **never too old to participate** and competition divisions are based on gender, age, and **ability level**. Some of these sports are offered as part of our local competition schedule; others we offer as weekly training for invitational, regional or statewide tournaments. Eligible athletes must complete an Athlete Participation Form (medical and release) before they can participate.

If you have any questions please contact Brian Philpot at 919-996-2111 or brian.philpot@raleighnc.gov

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SURVEY AND FAX 919-831-6470 OR MAIL TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

**RALEIGH PARKS AND REC
SPECIAL OLYMPICS WAKE COUNTY
2401 WADE AVE
RALEIGH, NC 27607**

Athlete's Name	Birthday	Athlete's home phone no.
Athlete's home address	City	State Zip Code
Parent/Guardian name	email address	

SPORTS	FORMAT	SEASON OFFERED	ATHLETE INTEREST
Bocce	Singles, doubles, 4-p team	Fall	_____
Bowling	Standard, ramp and bumper	Fall/Winter	_____
Cycling+	Road Races	Fall	_____
Golf	Skills, alternate shot, Ind 9-hole, 18-hole play	Fall	_____
Roller Skating	Speed skating	Fall	_____
Soccer	Skills and 5-5 Team Play	Fall	_____
Tennis	Skills, short court and standard	Fall	_____
Aquatics* (swim team)	races and relays in all strokes	Winter/Spring	_____
Alpine Skiing+	beginner to advanced	Winter	_____
Basketball	skills, 3-3 and 5-5 team play	Winter	_____
Ice Skating	Speed and figure skating	Winter	_____
Athletics	Track & Field	Spring	_____
Gymnastics**	Artistic and Rhythmic	Spring	_____
Power-lifting+	Bench-press, dead lift, squat	Spring	_____
Softball	Skills and Team+ Play	Spring	_____
Volleyball	Team play	Spring	_____

+Alpine Skiing, Cycling, and Team Softball have age requirement of 13 years old and for Power-lifting it is 16 years old.

*For Aquatics due to limited space, there is a minimum skill level requirement and "Try-outs" for our swim team.

**Gymnastics is run through outside agencies and have limited space due to the dependence on specialized facilities, equipment, and coaches. We will send you the contacts to get more information.