

TEAM NORTHAMPTON

Greater Lehigh Valley
Pocono Region

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS
PENNSYLVANIA**



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Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to Team Northampton Special Olympics School-Based Program. Team Northampton Special Olympics is a delegation within and governed by the rules and regulations of Special Olympics Pennsylvania. In the past, all Athletes were required to have an Athlete Participation Form (Medical) signed off by a Doctor. This year Special Olympics PA is moving to a new online portal system that may or may not require an additional Medical Form completed by a doctor depending on the athlete's medical needs.

In order to participate in our School-Based Program, your Athlete will need to have an online account in the Special Olympics PA Portal. Once you fill out the form, it may direct you to fill out additional information to complete the registration process. The portal is accessible online through a computer or through a mobile device. Here is the direct link to the website:

<https://specialolympicspa.org/get-involved/become-an-athlete>

During the process you may receive emailed information from the Special Olympics PA portal or through our regional office, Great Lehigh Valley Pocono Region, via Cara Owens or Julie Benjamin to help you with the completion of your athlete's online registration.

Here are some tips:

To ensure a smooth registration process, please have the following information ready:

- Personal and emergency contact information.
- Information about medical condition, history, and current medications.

Please have the email address that you will be using for registration open. Your progress will be automatically saved, so you can return to it at any time. I am providing an attachment to lead you through the registration process. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Amanda Sechrist, Director of Team Northampton Special Olympics, via email at asechrist@ciu20.org or Linda Lechner, Team Northampton Database Coordinator, via email at llechnerncso@gmail.com