**Our Mission:**
To provide year-round sports training and 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.

**Participation:**
Special Olympics training programs and competitive events are open to all people with intellectual disabilities who are at least 8 years old, regardless of the degree of their disability. There are currently 2,500 athletes participating in Special Olympics South Dakota.

**Funding:**
Special Olympics South Dakota (SOSD) is an independent non-profit organization. The majority of our funding is generated through donations from caring individuals, businesses, organizations, and corporations.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**
Over 4000 volunteers provide the manpower for SOSD. These volunteers come from schools, colleges, service clubs, businesses, parent groups, youth agencies, sports organizations, and professional groups. Volunteer opportunities range from serving food, to coaching and chaperoning, to fundraising and officiating. Amateur or professional, young or old, Special Olympics needs your help!

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**Schedule of Events**

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2019
AREA WINTER GAMES

Black Hills Area: January 25, 2019
Location: Terry Peak, Lead
Time: TBD
Volunteers: Cathy Grubb (605.645.7647) cgrubb@sosd.org

AREA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Northeast Area Tournament: February 15, 2019
Location: SDDC & Armory, Redfield
Time: 8:30 am
Volunteers: Kim Benning (605.460.3692) dbenning@abe.midco.net

Black Hills Area Tournament: March 8, 2019
Location: School of Mines, Rapid City
Time: 9:00 am
Volunteers: Joe Burmeister (605.593.1144) jburmeister@bhws.com

Northeast Area Spring Games (Athletics): April 27, 2019
Location: Prairie Lakes Wellness Center, Watertown
Time: 12:00 pm-4:00 pm
Volunteers: Laurie Schmig (605.237.3933) lmeland@hotmail.com

Black Hills Area Spring Games (Athletics): April 26, 2019
Rain Date: April 29, 2019
Location: Sioux Park, Rapid City
Time: 8:00 am-3:30 pm
Volunteers: Shelly Wolfe (605.209.1328) rachele.wolfe@k12.sd.us

Southeast Area Spring Games (Athletics): April 27, 2019
Location: Howard Wood Field, Sioux Falls
Time: 8:00 am-3:30 pm
Volunteers: Barb Sandoval (605.359.2356) bjssandoval@hotmail.com

AREA SPRING GAMES CONT.

Black Hills Area Swim Competition: April 27, 2019
Location: Young Center, Spearfish
Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Volunteers: Vaughn Heckel (605.642.7837) vpeckel@rushmore.com

Northeast Area Spring Games (Athletics): May 3, 2019
Location: High School Track, Watertown
Time: 8:00 am-3:30 pm
Volunteers: Laurie Schmig (605.237.3933) lmeland@hotmail.com

Southwest Area Swim Competition: May 3, 2019
Location: Midco Aquatics Center, Sioux Falls
Time: 1:00 pm-5:00 pm
Volunteers: Barb Sandoval (605.359.2356) bjssandoval@hotmail.com

STATE SUMMER GAMES

Location: USD, Vermillion
Date: May 16 – 18, 2019
Competition: Athletics, Powerlifting, Race Walking
Individual Soccer Skills, Team Soccer, Swimming, Volleyball
Volunteers: Mike Bartos (605.624.5571), Nate Welch
www.LiveVermillion.com

STATE EQUESTRIAN

Location: State Fairgrounds, Huron
Date: July 15 & 16, 2019
Competition: Barrel Racing, English Equitation, Hard Surface Equitation, Western Equitation, Showmanship at Bridle, Showmanship at Halter, Working Trail
Volunteers: Chad VanderPoel (605.331.4117) cvanderpoel@sosd.org

STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

Northeast Area Unified Doubles: October 17, 2019
Location: Tommy Lanes, Watertown
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am / 11:30 am-2:00 pm
Volunteers: Mel Frosch (605.330.4117) mfnch@gvsu.edu

Northeast Area Singles: October 18, 2019
Location: Meadowlawn Lanes, Rapid City
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am / 11:30 am-2:00 pm / 2:00 pm-4:30 pm
Volunteers: Michele Zahn (605.402.7629) michele.zahn@dalagerengineering.com

Black Hills Area Singles: October 19, 2019
Location: Meadowlawn Lanes, Rapid City
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am
Volunteers: Angie Petersen (605.996.7664) angiep24@hotmail.com

Northeast Area Unified Doubles: October 26, 2019
Location: Village Bowl, Mitchell
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am / 11:30 am-2:00 pm
Volunteers: Cathy Grubb (605.645.7647) cgrubb@sosd.org

Northeast Area Singles: October 26, 2019
Location: Village Bowl, Mitchell
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am / 11:30 am-2:00 pm / 2:00 pm-4:30 pm
Volunteers: Angie Petersen (605.996.7664) angiep24@hotmail.com

FALL CLASSIC

Location: Star of the West, Rapid City
Date: September 20 – 22, 2019
Competition: Bocce & Softball (Slow-Pitch, Unified Slow-Pitch, Tee Ball, Coach Pitch)
Volunteers: Chad VanderPoel (605.331.4117) cvanderpoel@sosd.org

STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Location: Village Bowl, Aberdeen
Date: November 8
Competition: Individual, Team, Doubles & Ramp
Volunteers: Johna Thum (605.331.4117) jthum@sosd.org

STATE UNIFIED BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Location: Eastway Bowl, Sioux Falls
Time: 9:00 am-11:30 am / 11:30 am-2:00 pm / 2:00 pm-4:30 pm
Volunteers: Johna Thum (605.331.4117) jthum@sosd.org

“Let me win,
But if I cannot win,
Let me be brave in the attempt.”
-Athlete Oath