

2024 BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

_____ would like to register to be a part of the 2024 Special Olympics basketball program. It is also understood that prior to the start of the basketball season, I will be required to complete and follow the *Athlete Code of Conduct*. Additionally, I acknowledge that I will adhere to all policies related to Covid protocol. It is my intent to attend all practices and scheduled competitions, wear the appropriate practice clothing and bring a change of tennis shoes.

I would like to be considered for the following team:

_____ Special Olympic Travel team(s): _____ 5 on 5 Full court **OR** _____ 3 on 3 Half court
_____ Recreational League (**does not travel**): _____ 5 on 5 Full court **OR** _____ 3 on 3 Half court

****ALL PLAYERS MUST** have complete SO Medical & Application (<https://medform.specialolympics.org>) to be eligible

Athlete Code of Conduct

The SO Indiana Code of Conduct was written to establish a system that encourages all participants to adhere to the Special Olympics philosophy, operating policies, and rules. Specific information on these issues is contained in the Official Special Olympics Sports Rules.

The County Coordinator and the athlete's Coach and Parent/Guardian and/or Provider accept the responsibility of understanding these guidelines and communicating them to participants in his/her program.

A. Sportsmanship

1. I will practice good sportsmanship.
2. I will act in ways that bring respect to me, my coaches, my team, and Special Olympics.
3. I will not use bad language.
4. I will not swear or insult other persons.
5. I will not fight with other athletes, coaches, volunteers, or staff.

B. Training and Competition

1. I will train regularly.
2. I will learn and follow the rules of my sport.
3. I will listen to my coaches and the officials and ask questions when I do not understand.
4. I will always try my best during training, divisioning, and competitions.
5. I will not "hold back" in preliminary competition just to get into an easier finals competition division.

C. Responsibility for My Actions

1. I will not make inappropriate or unwanted physical, verbal, or sexual advances on others.
2. I will not smoke in non-smoking areas.
3. I will not drink alcohol or use illegal drugs at Special Olympics events.
4. I will not take drugs for the purpose of improving my performance.
5. I will obey all laws and Special Olympics and National

D. Covid Code of Conduct

1. I will adhere to masking as required by Happiness Bag, Inc., and Special Olympics Indiana
2. I will NOT report to practice, games, or other sponsored events if I am not feeling healthy or well.
3. I will report any positive test results and/or exposure to Micah as soon as made aware.
4. I further understand that I will be required to comply with all CDC and/or local health organization rulings regarding quarantine requirements.

Federation/Governing Body rules for my sport(s). This Code of Conduct, written by Special Olympics athletes, appears as part of the Athlete and Unified Sports® Partner applications. When signed by the athlete and/or his/her parent, the athlete acknowledges that if he/she violates the Code he/she will be subject to a range of consequences, up to and including being prohibited from participation in Special Olympics.

By my signature appearing below, I agree to follow the guidelines of the Athlete Code of Conduct. I further understand that I can be removed from participation if I am found to be in violation of this Athlete Code of Conduct. Removal or suspension from a program will be at the discretion of the Executive Director of Happiness Bag, Inc., as the direct sponsor of Special Olympics Vigo County.

ATHLETE SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____