



Special Olympics
Rhode Island



Coaches Update - January 2019



Changing Attitudes

Every day, our athletes inspire people everywhere to open their hearts to a wider world of human talents and potential.



CPR Training - April 4th

CPR Training will be held on Thursday, April 4th at the Special Olympics Rhode Island office from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. This training is open to all Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches at no cost. *Class is limited to 20 individuals.*

You must register by Friday, March 29th to Mary-Ellen Powers at maryellen@specialolympicsri.org.



AREA & STATE GAMES

April 27th (Saturday) - Southern Area Games, Bishop Hendricken HS

April 28th (Sunday) - East Bay Area Games, Gaudet Middle MS

May 5th (Sunday) - Northern Area Games, Bryant University

May 31st, June 1st & 2nd - State Summer Games, University of Rhode Island

UPCOMING FEBRUARY EVENTS:



February 9th - State Winter Games at Yawgoo Valley

February 16th - Traditional Basketball Tournament at Providence College

February 16th - Basketball Skills Competition at Providence Country Day

February 26th & 28th - Coaches Conference at the SORI Office.

Medical Forms:

- All medical forms for athletes who will be participating in the upcoming Spring Sports Season must be completed by **FEBRUARY 1st**.
- **Reminder: Athletes cannot begin practicing with your team unless they have an up-to-date medical form.**
- Athletes who are new to SORI and would like to participate this Spring must submit medical and release forms by **March 15th**.
- *If you have any questions regarding athlete medicals or need an updated listing for your team, please contact Louise Miller at louise@specialolympicsri.org*

Class A Volunteer Forms:

- Class A volunteers forms for volunteers who will be helping out during the Spring Sports Season are due **March 1st**.
- New Class A volunteers must complete both the online Protective Behaviors and General Orientation Training Courses.
- Volunteers who are renewing their Class A status must also complete the online Protective Behaviors Training.
- If you have questions or need updated volunteer lists for your team, contact Louise Miller at louise@specialolympicsri.org

Minor Volunteers (Under 18):

- Minor volunteers must complete a Class A Form and a Minor Reference Form. A Social Security number does not have to be filled in on the Class A form because we do not run background checks on minors.
- Minors do not have to take the online Protective Behaviors and General Orientation Training Courses.

Faxing Forms to the SORI Office:

- Please be sure to include a cover sheet when faxing forms to the office and indicate the number of pages that are being faxed. Call or email the person that you are faxing information to so that they will know that the fax is coming. Very often at this time of year our fax machine is so busy that it jams or is unreliable.
- Fax number (401) 349-4936



Upcoming Bowling Dates

March 9th & 10th - Unified Duckpin Tournament, Town Hall Lanes, Johnston

April 13th - Unified Ten-Pin Bowling Tournament, AMF Lanes, Cranston



Swimming Time Trails

March 28th - Providence College Swimming Time Trials

April 18th - Newport County YMCA Swimming Time Trials

April 20th - Northern Area Individual Ten-Pin Bowling Qualifier, AMF Lanes, Cranston

April (TBA) - Southern Area Individual Ten-Pin Bowling Qualifier #1, Old Mountain Lanes, Wakefield

April (TBA) - Southern Area Individual Ten-Pin Bowling Qualifier #2, Old Mountain Lanes, Wakefield



Powerlifting Trials

March 10th - Trudeau Center, Warwick

Many thanks to all of the coaches who have been working hard to get their medical and volunteer paperwork in on time. Your efforts are very much appreciated by all of us at Special Olympics Rhode Island.

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