



Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®

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Spring at Special Olympics!

We are so ready for Spring here at Special Olympics! From Unified Basketball, to the Unity Ball, we have a jammed packed next couple of months! Keep reading for more about our super exciting Spring season!

Upcoming Events:

Mandatory Unified Basketball Coaches

Meeting: Wed, Feb 16th at SORI Office
-Middle school at 4:00pm
-High school at 6:00pm

Young Athletes Community program:

Offered for children ages 2-7 on Saturdays at our SORI office

UCS Plunge Saturday March 19, 2022

Unified Champion Schools Plunge is this month!



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With just under 20 days left before the UCS Plunge, we have 21 teams registered and over \$27,000.00 raised! We will be sending out an email soon regarding the logistics for the day of the Plunge, but please remember that all participants must be pre-registered online! Pre-registration will end on Thursday, March 17th, donations will continue to be accepted until the 23rd! Also, if you have any cash or check donations, please drop them off at our office ASAP so we can add them to your team's total! We won't be able to collect cash or checks the day of the event.

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This March 2022 is Jersey Mike's 12th Annual Month of Giving and for the first time, Jersey Mike's is excited to unite behind the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games and the Special Olympics State programs. During the month of March, customers can make a donation at any Jersey Mike's restaurant to help athletes attend the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games. Stop into a local Jersey Mike's on Wednesday March 30th when Rhode Island's Jersey Mike's restaurants will give 100 percent of the days' sales to our very own Team Rhode Island! More info to come!

Spread the Word Inclusion Day!

STW is coming Wednesday March 2, 2022! Visit the [Website](#) to take the Pledge now! Also find out more information about how to bring this day to your school!

For more info and to join or donate click here: [Unified Champions Schools Plunge](#)

Contact Tanya with any questions at tanya@specialolympicsri.org or call (401) 349- 4900 ext 326. *Online pre-registration is required for this event! or call (401) 349- 4900 ext 326. *Online pre-registration is required for this event!

The Unity Ball



The Unity Ball is back this year, sponsored by North Smithfield High school and planned by seniors, Cassidy and Emersyn! This ball is held especially for our [High School Unified Athletes](#) at no cost to them! It will be held at the Crowne Plaza on **April 29th, from 6:30pm- 10:30pm**. On the invitation attached is the link for all students, athletes, partners and coaches to register to attend. If any student requires a teacher aid or chaperone, they will be able to state that on their RSVP. The

menu is buffet style, serving, Penne with red sauce and meatballs, chicken fingers, fries, a garden salad, and bread and butter. There will also be a chocolate fountain, cotton candy, and popcorn! The dress code is semi-formal (however it is not required.) *For the safety of all our athletes', students and staff attending masks will be required. * There will be plenty of games and music for everyone to enjoy. If you cannot attend in person for any reason, we are still working on ways that you can join us virtually to play games and have fun with your peers. Links for the virtual part of the ball will come out when the Ball gets closer. We are trying to create a safe and comfortable environment for everyone attending. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Emersyn Chapamgne emerchampagne@gmail.com and/or Cassidy Grieves Cassidycheers@gmail.com. When emailing please state what school you are from so we can keep everything organized. We hope to see you all there!