

## Opportunities For Everyone

No matter which volunteer role you choose, each has a game changing impact on the athletes of Special Olympics New York.

Check out the opportunities below to which best fits with your volunteer interests.

### Volunteer Roles

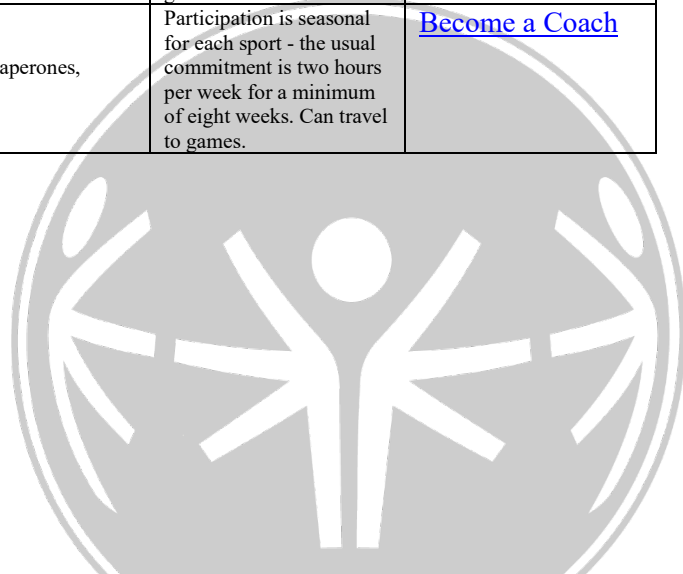
Each volunteer opportunity falls into one of two categories, (Class C & Class A Volunteer) based on its responsibility level and time commitment.

**Class C** – A short-term opportunity that involves providing assistance at a competition or event, but not necessarily in close contact with our Special Olympics New York athletes. Volunteers aged 13 to 15 must be accompanied by an adult. We welcome any age to become our “fans in the stands” at competitions.

Role	Class	Description	Commitment	Get Started
Day of	C	During competition, volunteers perform short-term tasks associated with conducting competitions (i.e., timer, scorekeeper, escort, etc.)	Half day to full day shifts.	Join us on our Volunteer Portal: <a href="#">Log In</a> or <a href="#">Create Profile</a>
Official	C	Serve as a referee, official, or judge at competitions. Please note that this role requires training and/or certification in a specific sport.	Commitment ranges from a few hours to at least 1 full day at competition.	Looking to get started, <a href="#">please reach out here.</a>

**Class A** – A long-term opportunity that involves close physical contact of Special Olympics New York athletes on a regular basis. Class A volunteers are in a position of authority and must be at least 16 years old.

Role	Class	Description	Commitment	Get Started
Coach	A	Work directly with athletes to improve their skills in specific Special Olympics sports.	Participation is seasonal for each sport - the usual commitment is two hours per week for a minimum of eight weeks. Travels to games.	<a href="#">Become a Coach</a>
Sport Assistant	A	Assist coaches during practice. Sport Assistants can also be chaperones, venue captains and event organizers.	Participation is seasonal for each sport - the usual commitment is two hours per week for a minimum of eight weeks. Can travel to games.	<a href="#">Become a Coach</a>





Volunteers can help in a multitude of roles. [Inquire here](#) to be learn more about these opportunities.

Role	Class	Description	Commitment
Intern	A	Tasks associated with supporting administrative and program functions.	Depends on agreement
Community level Unified Partner	A	Train and compete with athletes as part of Unified Sports team.	Participation is seasonal for each sport - generally one or two practices per week throughout the season
Sport Director	A	Provides technical and logistical expertise in a designated sport. They plan, organize, and implement competition.	Participation is seasonal for each sport - the usual commitment is approx. 20 hours. Leads competition at games.
Medical	A	Provide basic first aid for competitions. Please note that this role requires medical training and certification.	Four- to eight-hour shifts, one or more days a year
Competition & Event Committee	A	Plan and manage competition and fundraising events.	Commitment begins 4-6 months before competition or event date - specific hours will vary with position
Fundraising		Plan and/or implement activities to raise financial and in-kind support.	Commitment varies
Media Relations		Prepare and/or convey information about Special Olympics to various media outlets.	Commitment varies

