



SPORTS ARE FOR EVERYONE!

We offer inclusive sports programs for everyone age 2 and up, of any ability level. Additionally, through our Unified Sports program, people with and without intellectual disabilities compete together on the same team.

Special Olympics New York does not charge its athletes or their families for participation.

IMPACT TO THE STATE OF NEW YORK

1,602,162 = Total Service Hours
 \$38,051,347.50 = Value of Service Delivered
 \$850.18 = Value of Service Per Athlete

**TRADITIONAL
SPORTS**

2,042
Competitive Experiences
 1,429
Training Clubs
 2,991
Young Athletes



**UNIFIED CHAMPION
SCHOOLS**

8,732
Students
 2,522
Youth Leaders
 303
Schools

2023 ACCOLADES

Linda Rainer
Coach of the Year

Erik Viscardo
Athlete of the Year

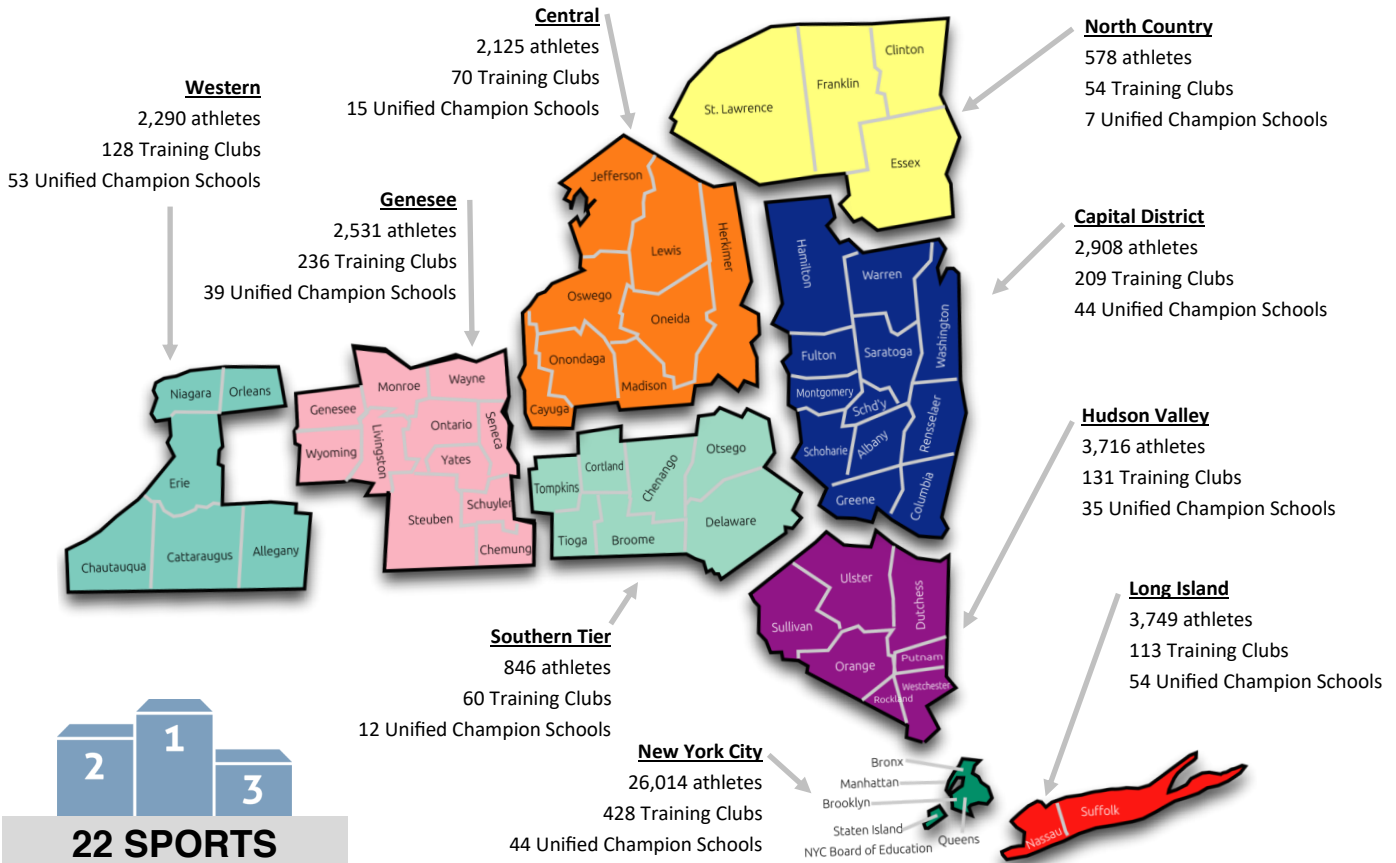
Joe Bellini
Special Olympics North America
Outstanding Coach Award

Will Smith
2026 Special Olympics
USA Games Board of Directors

Dr. Claire Watson
Golisano Health Leadership Award

Justin Latimer
LETR International Executive
Council Athlete Award

Billy Seide
Shoutcaster, Gaming for Inclusion



22 SPORTS

- Swimming
- Athletics (Track & Field)
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Gymnastics
- Powerlifting
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Bocce
- Distance Running
- Cycling
- Equestrian
- Golf
- Snowboarding
- Football (Soccer)
- Softball
- Alpine Skiing
- Figure Skating
- Floor Hockey/Floorball
- Cross Country Skiing
- Snowshoeing
- Speed Skating

Our History

Eunice Kennedy Shriver founded Special Olympics in 1968. Just one year later, Dorothy Buehring Phillips inaugurated the program in New York—and the state sent its first delegation of athletes and coaches to the Northeast Regional Special Olympics competition in Boston, Mass. Special Olympics New York was incorporated in 1970. Rochester hosted the first State Summer Games. Today, Special Olympics New York is one of the largest programs in the world.

Our Mission

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-style 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.

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