

BASKETBALL

Assessments & Tournament

Special Olympics
New Hampshire



Unified Basketball Assessment

Saturday, March 10th, 2018

Keene State College
229 Main Street - Keene, NH
Keene Parks & Recreation
312 Washington Street - Keene, NH
Franklin Pierce University
40 University Drive - Rindge, NH

Traditional Basketball Assessment

Sunday, March 11th, 2018

TBD

State Basketball Tournament

Saturday, March 24th, 2018

Sports Zone (7 A Street)

Derry, NH

ASSESSMENTS

Basketball Assessments and Individual Skills provide our athletes with a competitive experience before state competition and allow us to make sure that the divisions are appropriately established. Unless notified, we will create a draft schedule for assessments based on last year's Assessment schedule and State Tournament results.

Games will be scheduled in time blocks allowing each team the opportunity to play against every team in their division. Game length may be modified to allow for all teams to play one another. Game play and approximate length of games will be discussed on the preseason coaches' call.

STATE TOURNAMENT

After assessments take place, divisions are established. A schedule will then be created for our State Basketball Tournament. Each division will be assigned an am or pm start time. A draft schedule will be sent out to all head coaches and Local Program Coordinators after our scratch period ends and before our coaches' call. Final information for the State Tournament, including a schedule, will be sent out on Tuesday, March 20th.

Please take a moment to review the Rules of to have a better understanding of the Games.

To register for Basketball, you will use Agon. Please make sure you are familiar with the timeline below.

IF YOU NEED HELP OR HAVE QUESTIONS

About **registration**, which includes compliance and registration process through Agon including Intent to Participate, Registration and Scratch, please contact Kelsey Sullivan at KelseyS@sonh.org or by phone at 624-1250 ext. 31

About **the event**, which includes Preseason Conference Call, Coaches Conference Call, Final Games Information and day of questions, please contact Chelsea Gill at ChelseaG@sonh.org or by phone at 790-0060

EVENT INFORMATION

GENERAL SCHEDULE

- Unified Assessment
 - 8:00am Local Program Check-In
 - 9:15am First Games Begin
 - 1:00pm Last 3v3 Games Begin (estimated)
 - 3:30pm Last 5v5 Games Begin (estimated)
- Traditional Assessment
 - 8:30am Local Program Check-In
 - 9:00am First Games Begin
 - 1:00pm Last 3v3 Games Begin (estimated)
 - 3:00pm Last 5v5 Games Begin (estimated)
- State Tournament
 - 8:00am Local Program Check-In
 - 8:30am First Games Begin
 - 5:00pm Last Games Begin

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Participation at an assessment is required.
- A team's roster should not change from Assessments to the State Tournament.
- Training is an important part of athlete growth in both skill development and overall physical fitness. Special Olympics New Hampshire encourages teams to train twice a week for 10 weeks prior to the State Tournament, with one practice focusing on sport specific training and one practicing focusing on fitness (cross training etc.) to allow for optimal performance and readiness at the State Tournament.
- Lunch will be provided at the Unified and Traditional assessments.
- Lunch and/or dinner will be provided at the State Tournament.
- If the event is cancelled, it will not be rescheduled. Head coaches will be notified via phone or email by 6am on the day of the event.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

During the registration process, we will communicate with registered head coaches and Local Program Coordinators.

PRE-SEASON CALL

Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00pm

- To access the call please dial (712) 775-7031 and at the prompt please dial 363090#
- We will discuss

- events that will take place
- rules

INTENT TO PARTICIPATE (ASSESSMENTS)

Thursday, December 21st to Thursday, February 8th

- No athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches or LPVs may be added to the Games after intent closes.
- By the end of Intent, all athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches or LPVs must be compliant.
- One head coach must be registered for each team.
- New athletes must be recorded in Agon.
- If you would like your registration from last year flipped into this year, please email Kelsey.

REGISTRATION (ASSESSMENTS)

Friday, February 9th to Thursday, February 22nd

- All athletes and Unified Sports partners must be registered for event specific information
 - Event (Traditional or Unified, 3 on 3 or full court or individual skills)
 - Level (enter “Level – Category” for Unified competition)
 - Team
 - Jersey Number (record in the qualifying score field)
- Number of meals must be entered
 - Local Programs will be assessed at a rate of \$3 for each additional meal requested

COACHES CONFERENCE CALL (ASSESSMENTS)

Wednesday, March 7th at 7:00pm (Traditional) or 8:00pm (Unified)

- To access the call please dial (712) 775-7031 and at the prompt please dial 363090#
- We will review:

○ Draft schedule	○ Bad weather
○ Credential process	○ Protest process

FINAL INFORMATION (ASSESSMENTS)

Thursday, March 8th

- Final Schedule and any follow up information required after the coaches meeting will be distributed.

REGISTRATION (TOURNAMENT)

Monday, March 12th to Thursday, March 15th

- Number of meals must be entered
 - Local Programs will be assessed at a rate of \$3 for each additional meal requested
- Athletes, Unified Sports partners and LPVs may be removed during this period.
- Jersey numbers (in the qualifying score field) may be updated.
- Local Programs will be assessed \$40 for each athlete and LPV registered for the Games at the end of the registration period as well as \$3 for each additional meal requested.

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Thursday, March 22nd

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Athlete’s Participation on Non-Primary Local Programs

If an athlete would like to participate in a sport with a different Local Program:

1. The athlete must let his/her LPC know they would like to participate in another sport and which Local Program they are interested in joining.
 - a. If the Primary Local Program offers the sport, the LPC should work with the athlete to determine why the athlete would like to participate with another Program and decide if they will approve participation. Athletes should be empowered to choose where to participate.
 - b. Additionally, the athlete needs to make sure his/her LPC fills out the transfer form.
2. The athlete needs to ask the LPC of the team he/she would like to participate with
 - a. If the LPC of the “secondary team” does not have the infrastructure (enough volunteers to make a safe environment) they may say no to the athlete
 - b. If the secondary LPC says yes, he/she needs to fill in the existing transfer form including the amount of money that will need to be transferred and any expectations as a result of the athlete’s participation.
3. The athlete needs to get the transfer form back to their primary LPC who then submits it to SONH for processing.
4. The secondary LP may register an athlete they think will be participating with them – but if the transfer form is not completed by the scratch date the secondary LP will be financially responsible for that athlete’s participation in the Games.