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**SPECIAL OLYMPICS NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEKEND
Athletes from Across New Hampshire Compete**

This weekend SONH will hold its State Basketball Tournament at locations throughout Derry and Londonderry. The games will bring together 68 teams comprised of 688 athletes and Unified Partners from across the Granite State. "Athletes have been training for the event and are ready and excited to compete!" said Mary Conroy, President of SONH.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend and cheer on the athletes. Admission is free for anyone who wishes to attend.

Pinkerton Academy
5 Pinkerton Street, Derry
9am to 2pm
Unified Full Court Competition

Hood Middle School
5 Hood Road, Derry
9am to 4:20pm
Unified Half Court Competition

Derry Village Elementary School
28 South Main Street, Derry
9am to 3:30pm
Unified Full Court Competition

Londonderry High School
295 Mammoth Road, Londonderry
9am to 2:30pm
Traditional Full Court Competition

Ernest Barka Elementary School
21 Eastgate Road, Derry
9am to 4:15pm
Unified Full Court Competition

Matthew Thornton Elementary School
275 Mammoth Road, Londonderry
9am to 2:30pm
Traditional Half Court Competition

West Running Brook School
1 West Running Brook Lane, Derry
9am to 3:45pm
Unified Full Court Competition

North Londonderry Elementary
19 Sanborn Road, Londonderry
10am to 12pm
Individual Skills Competition

A special thank you to our 2015 State Basketball Tournament sponsors: Granite Ridge Energy, Circle K, Irving, McDonalds – The Napoli Group, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Northern New England, Marshalls Tent and Event Rentals, TD Bank, Paul Goyette and Michelle Wheeler of Northeast Planning Associates, Applebee's, Associated Grocer – Sully's/Harvest Market/Vista, WOKQ, WMUR, Knights of Columbus, Law Enforcement for Special Olympics, Hometown Foundation, Special Olympics Project UNIFY and Special Olympics Healthy Athletes.

Please visit our website for more information and to view results after the tournament at <http://www.sonh.org/sports-and-competitive-events/Winter/statebball.aspx>.

About Special Olympics New Hampshire

Special Olympics New Hampshire (SONH) is an accredited program of Special Olympics International (SOI) and is part of an international global movement that changes lives by encouraging and empowering people with intellectual disabilities, promoting acceptance for all, and fostering communities of understanding and respect worldwide. SONH was founded in 1970 with the first State Summer Games at Phillips Exeter Academy. To learn more, visit www.sonh.org.

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