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PREP SCHOOL STUDENTS BRAVE ICY WATERS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Wolfeboro, NH – Thirsty-six students from three New Hampshire prep schools braved the chilly waters at Brewster Academy to raise \$19,475 for Special Olympics New Hampshire. The money raised through students' online efforts will allow more than 3,000 athletes with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to continue playing sports!

Shortridge Academy excelled in their fundraising efforts with 12 Plungers raising \$8,380.

Brewster Academy and Proctor Academy have taken the relationship with Special Olympics athletes even further! Brewster provides ongoing opportunities for their students to interact with athletes with intellectual disabilities through Special Olympics Unified Sports® (where the team is made up of folks who qualify for Special Olympics and students who do not), parties, dances and inviting Special Olympics athletes to share Sunday brunch in the dining hall. Proctor hosts a fall Fun Day where they invite 50 Special Olympics athletes and their families on campus to play games and share a barbeque with the entire Proctor community.

Both schools feel strongly that their involvement with Special Olympics has enhanced their students school experience and has provided opportunities that will serve their students as they move forward in their careers.

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. To learn more, visit www.sonh.org.