

Special Olympics Iowa Program Report

September 27, 2018

This report presents current numbers in SOIA Programs as of September 20, 2018. The second page of the report are the ongoing numbers of participants in our events from April 20, 2018 through September 20, 2018 as compiled by Tanner Nissen from our GMS program. We are up a total of 228 participants from the 2017 totals for these same events. We have added Bocce Training Clinics in Des Moines, Cedar Rapids and Davenport as we look to expand our Bocce numbers/participation. We added an additional 76 Unified Partners to our 2017 events in this same time frame. This page shows the upcoming events through the end of November and the early registration numbers.

The third page, compiled by Sally Briggs, shows our current numbers of new Class A credentials processed (364), Renewed (276) and Class A credentials for minors (92) for a total of 732 Class A Credentials processed since April 12, 2018. We have added 25 new delegations and have recruited 220 new athletes since April of 2018.

The fourth page shows the steady increase of coaches that have completed our SOIA Online Coaches Trainings. We offer online coaches trainings in 13 of our 23 sports that SOIA offers. We offer face to face sports trainings for the other 10 sports since more individual instruction needs to be offered. 447 certifications have been processed since April 2018. We see this increase as coaches see the convenience and cost effectiveness of completing online trainings.

The Unified Champion Schools program continues to expand as Bryan Coffey has added 10 Des Moines Public Elementary Schools to increase our total to 52 schools. Wendy Olinger has expanded our Young Athlete Play Day program by building the one day event into an inclusive part of the school curriculum. We have one DMPS High School and four DMPS Middle Schools implementing Unified PE into their state approved curriculum. Bryan has continued to grow numbers in our Unified Sport program at University of Iowa and in the Unified College Sport Days and Unified Golf.

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