



SPECIAL OLYMPICS
USA GAMES
SEATTLE 2018



AT A GLANCE | 2018 Special Olympics USA Games

DATES

Sunday, July 1 through Friday, July 6, 2018

USA GAMES HISTORY

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Host City</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| 2006 | Ames, Iowa |
| 2010 | Lincoln, Nebraska |
| 2014 | Lawrenceville, New Jersey |
| 2018 | Seattle, Washington |

BY THE NUMBERS

14 Sports
3,000 Athletes
1,000 Coaches and Delegates
10,000 Volunteers
10,000 Family Members and Friends
70,000 Spectators

COMPETITION AND SPECIAL EVENT VENUES

University of Washington (UW or "U-Dub")
Angle Lake
Celebration Park
Kenmore Lanes
Seattle Center
Seattle Pacific University (SPU)
Seattle University (SU)
South Lake Union Park
Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center
Willows Run Golf Club



SPORTS OFFERED

| | Participants | Coaches | Officials | Volunteers |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|------------|
| Athletics | 355 | 90 | 60 | 400 |
| Basketball | 560 | 150 | 30 | 200 |
| Bocce | 230 | 70 | 25 | 200 |
| Bowling | 275 | 70 | 15 | 200 |
| Flag Football | 150 | 40 | 30 | 100 |
| Golf | 200 | 50 | 20 | 200 |
| Gymnastics | 50 | 15 | 12 | 50 |
| Powerlifting | 88 | 25 | 15 | 100 |
| Soccer | 300 | 75 | 25 | 100 |
| Softball | 300 | 75 | 25 | 100 |
| Stand Up Paddle Boarding | 25 | 5 | 6 | 30 |
| Swimming | 300 | 75 | 30 | 250 |
| Tennis | 88 | 30 | 20 | 100 |
| Volleyball | 215 | 55 | 20 | 75 |

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- June 28-30 **LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN** | Across Washington State
Law enforcement representatives from throughout the nation carry the Special Olympics Flame of Hope that will light the cauldron at the Opening Ceremony.
- June 30 **WELCOME DAY** | SeaTac International Airport
Thousands of fans welcome the athletes and delegates.
- July 1 **OPENING CEREMONY** | UW Husky Stadium
Parade of Athletes and entertainment plus the lighting of the Special Olympics Cauldron to open the Games.
- July 1 **MOTOR ACTIVITIES TRAINING PROGRAM** | UW Intramural Activities (IMA) Building
An MATP demonstration featuring the activities used to prepare athletes – including those with severe or profound intellectual disabilities and



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significant physical disabilities – for sport-specific activities appropriate for their ability levels.

- July 1-5 **FAN ZONE | UW Husky Stadium Plaza**
Live music, exhibits and activities entertain athletes and spectators around Opening Ceremony and competitions.
- July 1-6 **HEALTHY ATHLETES | UW Husky Union Building (HUB)**
Volunteer health professionals provide free, critical health screenings and educational sessions for athletes.
- July 2-4 **YOUNG ATHLETES FESTIVAL | Seattle Center & Celebration Park**
A celebration of sports, activities and inclusion for the next generation of athletes, ages 2 to 7, with resources and guidance for parents. All children and families welcome!
- July 2-5 **SPECIAL OLYMPICS TOWN | UW Husky Union Building (HUB)**
Entertainment and activities created just for the athletes.
- July 2-5 **UNIFIED YOUTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT | Various Venues**
Teenagers with and without intellectual disabilities convene to learn skills, volunteer and build more inclusive communities.
- July 2-5 **UNIFIED SPORTS EXPERIENCE | Various Venues**
Exhibition games will feature celebrity USA Games Ambassadors helping to break down barriers, promote inclusion and have fun through sport.
- July 4 **INDEPENDENCE DAY PARTY | UW Husky Stadium**
Athletes and delegates celebrate the Fourth with an old-fashioned BBQ and dance party.
- July 6 **CLOSING CEREMONY | South Lake Union Park**
Culmination and celebration of the 2018 USA Games. Families, fans and volunteers invited to congratulate athletes and bid them farewell.



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