

Lower Merrimack Area Summer Games

Saturday, May 13th 2017

(rain date is Sunday, May 14th)

Special Olympics
New Hampshire



Londonderry High School
295 Mammoth Rd
Londonderry, NH 03053

The Lower Merrimack Area Summer Games includes competition in athletics.

Competition at an area games is required for an athlete to compete at the State Summer Games in athletics or swimming. In 2018, athletes competing in bocce at the State Games will also be required to compete in area competition. The goal of Area Games is to provide our athletes with a quality competitive experience while obtaining accurate preliminary scores to use at the State Summer Games.

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

The Games are hosted by Londonderry High School and community volunteers.

To register for the Lower Merrimack Area Summer Games, 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, credential photos and registration process through Agon including Intent to Participate, Registration, Scratch and Final Games Information, please contact Bridget Carleton at BridgetC@sonh.org or by phone at (603) 969-9572.

About **the season**, which includes Preseason Conference Call and Coaches Conference Call, please contact Ben Berg at BenB@sonh.org or by phone at (630) 818-7542.

About **the event**, which includes day of questions, please contact Cheryl O'Shea at COShea@londonderry.org or by phone at (603) 818-1548

EVENT INFORMATION

GENERAL SCHEDULE

- 7:00am Local Program Check-in (for programs with athletes in 1500M events)
- 7:30am Local Program Check-in
1500M Run & Walk
- 8:15am Staging for Parade of Athletes
- 8:30am Opening Ceremonies
- 9:00am Competition Begins

- 11:00am Lunch
- 2:00pm Games end (approximate time)

GENERAL INFORMATION

- In the case of inclement weather, a decision to delay or cancel will be made by 6AM on the day of event. All head coaches and LPCs will be notified via phone or email, the information will be available on our website. If the games is canceled, the rain date will be Sunday May 15th.
- Teams should train twice a week for 10 weeks

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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

INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

Open until Thursday, April 6th

- By the end of Intent, all athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches and LPVs must be compliant.
- One head coach must be registered for each sport that your team will participate in.
- New athletes must be recorded in Agon.
- If you would like your registration from last year flipped into this year, please email Bridget
- Credential photos (for all participants) must be submitted via email by the end of intent to Bridget.
- No athletes, Unified Sports partners, head coaches, coaches or LPVs may be added to the Games after intent closes.

REGISTRATION

Friday, April 7th to Thursday, April 20th

- All athletes and Unified Sports partners must be registered for event specific information (event, level, qualifying score and team, if applicable)
 - Participants may compete in athletics OR bocce.
 - Athletics
 - Participants must register for events in only one category
 - Participants may register for up to four events
 - Athletes may only register for one of the following events: tennis ball throw, softball throw or shot put.
 - Athletes may only register for one of the following events: running long jump or standing long jump.
 - Participants must enter qualifying scores for each event. If no qualifying score is entered, we will division with 2016 State Summer Games results, if those are not available, participants will be placed in division with the highest ability level.
 - Bocce
 - Qualifying scores are not needed as ability is determined during the qualifying round.
 - Participants must register for the qualifying round and singles competition.
- Number of meals needed must be entered and may not be updated after registration closes.

COACHES' CONFERENCE CALL

Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00pm

- To access the call please dial (712) 775-7031 and at the prompt please dial 363090#
- We will discuss:
 - Final schedule
 - Lunch menu
 - Awards process
 - Credential process
 - Bad weather

FINAL INFORMATION

Thursday, May 4th

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

FINAL REMINDER

Monday, May 8th

- Final info from the Games Management Team.