

**2017-18
Participating
School Corporations &
Special Education Co-ops**

Anderson Community Schools
Center Grove Community Schools
Centerville-Fayette Schools
Crawford County School Corp
Crown Point Community Schools
East Central Special Services
East Noble Schools
East Washington Schools
Eastbrook Community School Corp
Elkhart Community Schools
Evansville -Vanderburgh Schools
Grant County Special Services Coop
Indianapolis Public Schools
Lake Central Schools
Logansport Community Schools
Madison-Grant Untied School Corp
Marion Community Schools
Mississinewa Community Schools
Mount Vernon Community Schools
MSD of Washington Township
Noblesville Schools
Oak Hill United School Corp
Paoli Community School Corp
Salem School Corp
School City of Mishawaka
Seymour Community Schools
Shelbyville Central Schools
Sheridan Community Schools
South Central Area Special Ed. Coop
South Madison Community Schools
Southwest Allen County Schools
Tippecanoe Valley Schools
West Washington Schools

INTRODUCTION

Unified Champion Schools (UCS) draws on Special Olympics' longstanding expertise in accessible sports coaching, promoting inclusive schools and communities, and advocating for individuals with disabilities to provide educators with the tools to meet this goal. The resource employs Special Olympics Unified Sports® strategies for use in an inclusive physical education and gross motor education program as a way to assist educators in bringing students with and without disabilities together to learn the skills and knowledge needed to participate successfully in inclusive sports and fitness programs in their schools and communities.

FOSTERING RELATIONSHIPS AT HOME . . .

Parents, siblings, friends and young athletes can train together at home with the Unified Champion Schools activities and games.

MAKING CONNECTIONS IN THE COMMUNITY . . .

Local Special Olympics Indiana county programs offer an opportunity for parents, siblings, friends and young athletes to come together in a guided training experience led by a Special Olympics Indiana coach and volunteers!

CONNECTING FRIENDS AT SCHOOL . . .

Early childhood educators, therapists and P.E. teachers can utilize the Unified Champion Schools program in the school setting. Unified Champion Schools participants progress and learn sports skills at their developmental level through the designed curriculum.

WHAT IS UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS (UCS)?

- An innovative sports play program for pre-school, elementary, and middle school students with and without intellectual disabilities.
- A complement to the Champions Together partnership between Special Olympics Indiana and the IHSAA) that targets high school students.
- An in-school training culminating in a Track & Field Day at the high school.

THE 4 MAIN GOALS OF UCS

- Cognitive, physical, social & emotional development.
- Engagement with local Special Olympics Indiana program.
- Whole family opportunity to enjoy the Special Olympics Indiana experience.
- School inclusion with peers.

WHY UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS?

The program was created:

- To meet the physical and developmental needs of elementary & middle school students.
- To offer families the opportunity to share in the success of their future athlete.
- Provide an appreciation of fitness and sport for the entire family.
- Provide preparation for participation in sports - families will see the potential for their child.

UCS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED AT ALL SCHOOL LEVELS:

- Preschools, Elementary Schools, Middle Schools

**DEVELOPING SKILLS FOR SUCCESS AS A FUTURE
SPECIAL OLYMPICS ATHLETE**

- Foundational skills, walking and running, balancing and jumping, trapping and catching, throwing, striking, kicking, and advanced skills.

Questions? Contact Mark Booth (mbooth@soindiana.org).

Banner Schools 2016-17 (30)

School (District)

Avilla Elementary School (East Noble)	McCullough Junior High School (Marion)
Battell Elementary School (Mishawaka)	Mentone Elementary School (Tippecanoe)
Brown Elementary School (Seymour)	Noble Crossing Elementary School (Noblesville)
Center Grove Middle School Central (Center Grove)	Noblesville East Middle School (Noblesville)
Covington Elementary School (SW Allen)	Noblesville High School (Noblesville)
Emerson (Elementary School (Seymour)	Noblesville West Middle School (Noblesville)
Haverhill Elementary School (SW Allen)	North Elementary School (Noblesville)
Hazel Dell Elementary School (Noblesville)	Promise Road Elementary School (Noblesville)
Hebron Elementary School (Evansville)	Redding Elementary School (Seymour)
Hinkle Creek Elementary School (Noblesville)	Riverview Elementary School (Marion)
Hums Elementary School (Mishawaka)	Stony Creek Elementary School (Noblesville)
Jackson Elementary School (Seymour)	Throop Elementary School (Paoli)
LaSalle Elementary School (Mishawaka)	Whispering Meadows Elementary School (SW Allen)
Liberty Elementary School (Mishawaka)	White River Elementary School (Noblesville)
Little Giants Preschool (Marion)	Woodside Middle School (SW Allen)