

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF DD/DEEPWOOD

BOARD POLICY

Reviewed and Adopted by the Board:
Date: September 19, 2022

Signature on File
Elfriede Roman, Superintendent

I. SUBJECT: SPECIAL OLYMPICS

II. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to define the scope and nature of the Special Olympics program and the Board's support of that independent program.

III. REFERENCE:

LCBDD/Deepwood Policy A-9 Volunteer Services
LCBDD/Deepwood Policy I-1 Recreation Services
Ohio Special Olympics Code of Conduct

IV. POLICY:

Special Olympics Ohio, Inc. is a statewide non-profit corporation that offers a Special Olympics program to eligible athletes in different individual and team sports. The Special Olympics-Lake County, Inc. is a subsidiary of and under the general supervision of Special Olympics, Ohio, Inc. Both are independent and separate legal entities from the Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood.

The Special Olympics program integrates local and other state athletes with developmental disabilities in competitive sporting events. The Special Olympics program is open to citizens with disabilities who are eight years of age and older and meet the criteria to participate in competition/events.

Because of the value of this program to its constituents, the Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood contributes recreation staff time, office space, office equipment, vehicles/transportation, and miscellaneous other in-kind donations to the Lake County Special Olympics program.

The recreation specialist designated as the local coordinator of the Special Olympics program shall serve as custodian of the Special Olympics bank account. The Special Olympics bank account includes monies raised through Special Olympic fundraisers and corporate and individual donations and is the exclusive property of Special Olympics-Lake County, Inc. The County Board provides oversight, but upon dissolution of the program, all net proceeds would be forwarded to the local Special Olympics organization.

All Special Olympic athletes, parents, Board staff, and volunteers are expected to comply with the Ohio Special Olympic Code of Conduct while attending any Special Olympics event.

V. DISTRIBUTION:

Board Members

All Management Staff

All Staff (via Department Managers)

LEADD President

VI. REVIEWED:

9/22, 9/20, 9/18, 09/17, 09/16, 08/15, 09/14, 09/13, 09/12, 9/10, 10/08, 10/06, 09/04, 09/02