



Hutchinson Area Special Olympics

Greetings! Winter is here, and we are getting ready to hit the court for the **2018-19 Special Olympics Basketball Season!** Participation in the Hutchinson Public Schools Special Olympics Program is available for **students in grades 6-12 and TAP**. Mona Hjerpe will serve as our Head Basketball Coach.

Practices will be held at **McLeod County Fairgrounds in Hutchinson** on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** from **3:00 p.m.- 4:15 p.m.**, with the first practice on **Tuesday, January 15th**. The cost for each student athlete will be \$30. No one will be turned away due to inability to pay.

If your child is **new** to Hutch Tigers Special Olympics, please complete the following: **1)** Basketball Registration form, **2)** Special Olympics Application for Participation, and **3)** submit a check for \$30 (made out to Hutchinson Public Schools). **Returning members** with current paperwork need only to turn in the registration form and fee. **All paperwork can be found online** at: <http://www.isd43.org/district/activities/special-olympics/>

Please Note: Student athletes will not be allowed to participate in practice sessions or tournaments without a current physical examination (included in the Application for Participation Form) and Official Special Olympics Release Form.

Please have your child at the Fairgrounds by 3:00 p.m., and have arrangements for someone to pick them up promptly by 4:15 p.m. Parents, guardians and group home staff are always welcome to help out at practices, and are required if the student athlete is in need of assistance. Please contact me, if needed, for further information regarding one-to-one support.

We are always looking for volunteers who are willing to become certified Special Olympics coaches. We want as many student-athletes to participate as possible, so volunteers are greatly appreciated!

Thank you for your cooperation in completing the 2018-19 Special Olympics Basketball registration forms. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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"Let me win; but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

-Special Olympics Athlete's Oath

