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Issue Paper

DATE:

9/12/2024

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve the grant application/agreement with Special Olympics, Kentucky for Scott High School's Unified Champion Schools program involvement for the 2024-2025 school year.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

.01.1 Legal Status of the Board

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Scott High School has Unified Bowling and Unified Track and Field sports teams. Coaches will be paid the District approved supplemental stipend to coach the team during the season. Funds will be utilized to purchase Unified Sports uniforms and equipment needed, as well as awards at end of season celebrations. If approved, grant funds will be used to support the budget as is reflected on the attached application/agreement.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

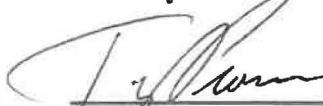
None

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval sign the grant application/agreement with Special Olympics, Kentucky for Scott High School's Unified Champion Schools program involvement for the 2024-2025 school year.

CONTACT PERSON:

Anthony Procaceino


Principal/Administrator


District Administrator


Superintendent

Use this form to submit your request to the Superintendent for items to be added to the Board Meeting Agenda.
Principal –complete, print, sign and send to your Director. Director –if approved, sign and put in the Superintendent's mailbox.

2024-2025 Registration & Grant Request Form

Special
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Kentucky



Special Olympics
Unified Champion
Schools

This registration is a formal expression of your school's commitment to inclusion, acceptance and respect of all students through the implementation of the Unified Champion Schools strategy.

Please complete and return this form to:

Special Olympics Kentucky
Attn: Unified Champion Schools
105 Lakeview Ct.
Frankfort, KY 40601

You may also email to:

kparsley@soky.org

or mjustice@soky.org

Questions? Please Contact:
Karen Parsley or Michael Justice

kparsley@soky.org / mjustice@soky.org / 502-326-5002 ext.202

Part 1: Contact Information (required)

School Name: <u>Scott High School</u>	District: <u>Kenton</u>
School Liaison Name: <u>Audrey Kinney</u>	Total School Enrollment #: <u>1000</u>
Name of Administrator approving application: _____	
School Address: <u>5400 Old Taylor Mill Rd.</u>	
City: <u>Taylor Mill, KY</u>	Zip: <u>41015</u>
Email: <u>audrey.kinney@kentonschools.org</u>	School Phone: <u>859 356-3146</u>
Program Level: (Please complete separate form for each school if registering as a district)	
<input type="checkbox"/> K-8	<input type="checkbox"/> K-12
<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High School

Part 2: Projected Participation / School Impact Numbers (required)

PROJECTED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS		
	Number of Students Participating in each of the below areas:	
	Unified Sports	Youth Leadership
# of Athletes Participating (Special Education students)	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
# of Partners Participating (General Education students)	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
Total Number of Faculty Advisors*:	<u>5</u>	

* Ideally a Faculty Advisory Team will include one General Education teacher, one ECE teacher, one PE/APE/Coach and an Administrative staff member. These adults will assist Unified Student Leaders in facilitating the program.

Part 3: UCS Components

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

Participation in Youth Leadership is a requirement to be a Unified Champion School. This requirement can either be met by having an Inclusive Youth Leadership Committee/team or Unified Club and/or by attending a Youth Summit. Contact us for information about upcoming Summits.

Is your school interested in attending a UCS Youth Leadership Summit? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Summits are offered at various times and locations throughout the year.)

Do you plan to have a Unified Youth Leadership Committee/Club? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Advisor Name (if different than Unified Liaison): same

Email:

Phone:

Anticipated Number of SPECIAL EDUCATION Students in Committee/Club: 15

Anticipated Number of GENERAL EDUCATION Students in Committee/Club: 15

Completion of Leadership Lessons are highly suggested for Youth Leaders and can be found on our Unified Classroom resource:



Unified Classroom: Leadership

WHOLE SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT

Student leaders are encouraged to conduct a few school-wide activities that impact the greater school community. Of the examples listed below, what initiatives do you see implementing throughout the year? Only select those that apply – you do not have to do them all.

<input type="checkbox"/> Poster contest to promote Inclusion Campaign	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spread the Word / Respect/R-word Campaign	<input type="checkbox"/> Disability Awareness Activities / Inclusive Walk
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fans in the Stands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unified P.E. Class	<input type="checkbox"/> Service-Learning Project
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOKY Polar Plunge	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Sports Expo Game / Field Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Respect or Awareness Week
<input type="checkbox"/> SOKY Truck or Plane Pull	<input type="checkbox"/> It's Our School Too – skit	<input type="checkbox"/> Respect Rally or Unified Sports Rally
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraiser for Unified Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

SOKY = Special Olympics Kentucky

UNIFIED SPORTS

Sports may be conducted in the various models:

- **Unified Recreation Model** (promote inclusion and increase sports skills in a non-competitive environment)
- **Unified Player Development Model** (teammates of higher ability serve as mentors to assist players of lower ability)
- **Unified Competitive Model** (teammates of similar ability and age who train and compete together)

Check the sport(s) your school plans to do:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KHSAA Unified Track & Field	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KHSAA Unified Bowling	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Soccer
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Track through SOKY	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Bowling through SOKY	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Fitness Club (ex: Fit 5)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unified Bocce	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Cheerleading	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Physical Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Cornhole	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Basketball	
<input type="checkbox"/> Young Athletes (motor skills program for 2-7 year olds)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Sport:	

Non-Sport Activities (if applicable)

<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Esports	<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Robotics	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
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Please list coaches (if known)

Name: <u>Audrey Kinney</u>	Sport: <u>bowling, track, bocce</u>
Email: <u>audrey.kinney2@kenton.kyschools.us</u>	
Name:	Sport:
Email:	

REQUIRED Coach Trainings: (Links are also available via our SOKY UCS Resources Page)

1. NFHS "Coaching Unified Sports" Online Training Course:



2. Review the NFHS Guide for Administering Special Olympics Unified Sports® at the High School Level:



Note: If participating in Unified Sports through SOKY, you will be contacted to complete additional SOKY specific training. If participating in KHSAA Bowling or Track & Field, please complete the sport specific KHSAA required coach trainings, in addition to the trainings listed above.

Part 4: Agreement

By completing this registration, we are pleased you recognize the positive impact of Unified Champion Schools initiatives have on your campus to create a school climate of social inclusion, acceptance, and respect for all.

As a UCS school you are agreeing to the following:

1. **The formation of a UCS Advisory Team** (as outlined on Page 1) and identify one individual to serve as the Lead Liaison between your school and the Special Olympics Kentucky State Office.
2. **With the assistance of the Advisory Team, students will lead the program and participate in working towards implementing one or more of the checked Unified Champion Schools components below during the school year:**

☒ **YOUTH LEADERSHIP (REQUIRED):** Form an inclusive campus student leadership team or implement a Unified Club to encourage Unified student leadership development. *(Participation in Youth Summits is highly encouraged)*

☐ **WHOLE SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT:** Develop and host at least one activity or event that encourages all students to participate (i.e. Spread the Word to End the Word/Respect Week or Unified Sports Days)

☐ **UNIFIED SPORTS:** Develop and implement a minimum of one Unified Sports activity or event.
Note: Coaches training requirements found on page 3.

3. Provide **updates** to SOKY staff regarding campus activities via email, phone, or social media.
4. Complete mid-year and year-end **UCS activity participation surveys**, administered by SOKY staff.
5. Complete the spring **Unified Champion Schools liaison survey** administered by UMass Boston (Optional but preferred)
 - a. Survey will be sent to school liaison listed on page 1. This person should be able to provide the most knowledge of UCS activities taking place as a whole on your school's campus.
6. **If requesting grant funds, complete the attached Budget and Funding Request form by November 15th.**
Copies of receipts for all USED funds must be kept on file at the school and made available to Special Olympics Kentucky upon request.

All UNUSED funds must be returned to Special Olympics Kentucky by May 31st.

7. Seek support from SOKY Staff in implementing the program. **WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**

Further, you understand that Special Olympics Kentucky staff will provide your UCS School the following support:

1. SOKY consultation, education, support, and technical assistance for school based UCS activities.
2. Resources and equipment for specific UCS activities, including Unified Sports, R-Word/Respect Week campaigns, youth leadership events and Young Athletes Kits.
3. Opportunities to apply for additional funding for original, youth driven UCS projects.
4. Ongoing advisor and youth leader training opportunities, including Unified Coach training.
5. Guidance regarding SOKY and Unified Champion Schools policies, procedures, manuals, forms etc.
6. Clear, consistent communication from SOKY regarding these opportunities, resources, and support.
7. Guidance regarding National Banner requirements and information.

Signatures:

School Liaison Signature: _____

Date: _____

Administrator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Administrator Printed Name: _____