

Section: PROGRAM
Topic: Shining Star Award
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This award designation will be presented to a Special Olympics Saskatchewan athlete who best exemplifies the spirit of Special Olympics

NOMINATIONS

Each Special Olympics accredited district/community is encouraged to nominate athletes who they feel are worthy of receiving this prestigious designation. Nominations are accepted from any SOS member in good standing including: the executive committee, coaches, volunteers, athletes, Board of Directors, Sport Advisory Committee, and the provincial office by the annual deadline date. All nominations must be accompanied by a Nomination Form (attached), a minimum of one (1) letter of reference and maximum of two (2), and either a digital photo OR a passport sized photo.

*NOTE: Any additional forms/letters of support **will not** be considered by the Selection Committee when reviewing the nominations.*

The Special Olympics Saskatchewan Awards Committee will carefully review the nominations and select the recipient.

AWARD CRITERIA

Nominations will be judged on the strength of their submission by the criteria described in the following:

- Enduring a positive attitude toward their participation in sport and Special Olympics programming. (Includes: consistent attendance at practices, games, and other Special Olympics events)
- Courtesy, care, and concern for fellow Special Olympics athletes, coaches, and volunteers.
- Striving spirit and outstanding effort
- Ideals of sportsmanship (i.e., fairness, honesty, unselfishness, respect, responsibility, civility, fair play, tc.)
- This nomination may be based upon a single extraordinary example or continuous sportsman-like conduct

AWARD RECOGNITION

- The recipient will receive a Lifetime Membership to Special Olympics Saskatchewan.
- This award will be presented to the successful recipient(s) at the Provincial Awards Banquet held annually.
- The recipient(s) will receive a Shining Star Award plaque.
- The recipients' name will be added to Special Olympics Saskatchewan Recognition Plaque.
- The recipient and nominees may be highlighted and publicly recognized by Special Olympics Saskatchewan for their achievement(s). This may include such things as; postings on social media sites, newspaper/journal articles, community newsletters, etc.
- This individual may be further considered for Special Olympics Canada National Awards