

Philadelphia

MEDIA ALERT

Special Olympics
Pennsylvania



Special Olympics Pennsylvania's Philadelphia Program Hosts 41st Annual Philadelphia Spring Games

WHAT – Special Olympics Pennsylvania's Philadelphia (SOPA Philly) program will host the 41st Annual Philadelphia Spring Games on Saturday, April 28th. The Philadelphia Spring Games started in 1977 as a way to hold competition for Philadelphia athletes looking for an opportunity to compete and now has expanded to include not only athletes from Philadelphia, but also surrounding counties. This year, SOPA Philly anticipates 250 athletes to compete in athletics (track and field), basketball, and tennis. Come witness firsthand the transformative power and joy of sport.

WHERE – William Penn Charter School
3000 West School House Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19144

WHEN – Saturday, April 28th from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

VISUAL OPPORTUNITIES –

- **9:00 am – 9:45 am:** Opening Ceremony featuring NBC Sports Philadelphia Sports Anchor, John Boruk as emcee and professional boxer, Bernard Hopkins.
- **10:00 am – 3:30 pm:** Competition in athletics (track and field), basketball, and tennis
- **10:30 am – 11:00 am:** Unified Shotput Experience for VIP guests
- **10:30 am – 2:00 pm:** Olympic Village featuring entertainment and activities
- **11:30 am – 12:00 pm:** Young Athletes open play and showcase featuring an obstacle course
- **3:30 pm – 4:30 pm (Approximate):** Awards on a rolling basis as competition concludes

PARKING – Parking is available onsite at William Penn Charter School

CONTACT – Kristin Craven, Special Olympics Pennsylvania – Philadelphia Special Events & Marketing Manager, at 609.658.6003 or kcraven@specialolympicspa.org for further information or to arrange interviews. Media is welcomed to attend any portion of the event.

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