



Special Olympics Seminole County Young Athletes Program **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Young Athletes Program, YAP, is an innovative sports play program for children ages 2-7 with intellectual disabilities and their peers, designed to introduce them into the world of sports. These activities will help the children improve physically, cognitively and socially. This program will also help to raise awareness of the Special Olympics program and serve as an introduction to the resources and supports available within Special Olympics Florida to families, agencies, and schools.

Seminole County is gearing up for a fourth season starting in January 2012 and is actively recruiting volunteers. If you enjoy working with young children and can spare a few hours a month, this is the program for you!



POSITION DESCRIPTION: Volunteers are needed to work one on one with the athletes, under the direction of the Site Coordinator, on skills such as walking, running, balancing, jumping, kicking, throwing, catching...skills needed to prepare them to compete in Special Olympics when they are of age.

WHEN: Our program meets on average 3 times per month at the YMCA Lake Mary facility on Saturdays from 12-2pm. We run two seasons annually; August-November and January-June.

HOW TO HELP: It is not necessary to commit to a full season. We have many volunteers who come out to help when their schedule permits. All we expect is that once you sign up, you let us know which days you are available.

PAPERWORK: Completion of Volunteer A Paperwork and an online Protective Behaviors Quiz.

To find out more about our program or to sign up to volunteer, contact:
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