



EQUESTRIAN 2025

Call for WSO Riders

Orientation Date: Wednesday 2/12 from 6:30-7:30 PM

Riding Dates: Wednesdays 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30

Riding Lesson Slots: 6:40-7:10 PM or 7:20-7:50 PM

We are looking for Special Olympics riders for spring lessons! Riders should be able to follow directions and be able to walk up steps and mount a horse with limited assistance. There is no cost for lessons, but riders must purchase their own boots and may want to purchase their own helmet. Riders must attend the orientation and commit to the full block of 7 lessons. **Priority will go to athletes who are new to riding.**

If interested, please complete the attached form and email it to sburk@otterbein.edu by Monday 2/10.

Equestrian Application

SAVE THE DATES...
State Indoor Games @ OSU- March 7-9
Winter Bash- Friday, March 21
State Summer Games- June 13-15
Barnyard Bash- June 16

Thursday, January 23**Cheer**

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Place	Pointview Elementary School 720 Pointview Dr Westerville OH 43081, United States

Gray

Event	Home Game vs New Albany
Time	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Place	McVay Elementary School 270 S Hempstead Rd Westerville, OH 43081, USA

Friday, January 24**White**

Event	Game vs Comets 4 or 5
Time	6:30 pm - 7:45 pm
Place	Dominion Middle School 100 E Arcadia Ave Columbus OH 43202, United States

Red

Event	Game vs Comets 3
Time	7:45 pm - 8:45 pm
Place	Dominion Middle School 100 E Arcadia Ave Columbus OH 43202, United States

Sunday, January 26**Swim Team**

Event	Regional Qualifier
Time	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Place	Trumbull Aquatic Center-Denison University 200 Livingston Dr

Monday, January 27**Red**

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Place	Wilder Elementary School 6375 Goldfinch Dr Westerville, OH 43081, USA

Tuesday, January 28**White**

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Place	Wilder Elementary School 6375 Goldfinch Dr Westerville, OH 43081, USA

Women's Team

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Place	McVay Elementary School 270 S Hempstead Rd Westerville, OH 43081, USA
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WSO Kids

Event	Basketball
Time	6:30 pm - 7:15 pm
Place	Mark Twain Elementary 799 E Walnut St Westerville, OH 43081, United States

Gray

Event	Game at Hilliard
Time	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Place	Britton Elementary School 4501 Britton Pkwy Hilliard OH 43026, United States

Basketball Skills

Event	Practice
Time	7:15 pm - 8:00 pm
Place	Mark Twain Elementary 799 E Walnut St Westerville, OH 43081, USA

Thursday, January 30**Cheer**

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Place	Pointview Elementary School 720 Pointview Dr Westerville OH 43081, United States

Gray

Event	Practice
Time	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Place	McVay Elementary School 270 S Hempstead Rd Westerville, OH 43081, USA
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White

Event	Tournament Game vs UA
Time	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Place	Dominion Middle School 100 E Arcadia Ave Columbus OH 43202, United States

Saturday, February 1**Red**

Event	Tournament Game vs Comets 3/Franklin Flyers
Time	9:00 am - 10:30 am
Place	Dominion Middle School 100 E Arcadia Ave Columbus OH 43202, United States

Sunday, February 2**Swim Team**

Event	Practice
Time	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Place	Westerville Jaycee Community Pool 230 S Otterbein Ave Westerville OH 43081, United States

Women

Event	Tournament vs Franklin Flyers
Time	12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Place	Dominion Middle School 100 E Arcadia Ave Columbus OH 43202, United States

SC Regional Swim Meet, Sunday, January 26, Arrive 9am

Click on button below for the heat sheets for our upcoming swim meet...I have highlighted all of the Westerville athletes who are scheduled to swim (If I missed any, just let me know!) I will have printed copies ready for you as well.

The coordinator hopes to get the meet started between 9:30 and 10 am so please plan on arriving at Denison University no later than 9am so you have time to park and get to the pool.

Denison University
Trumbull Aquatic Center
200 Livingston Drive
Granville, OH 43023

Athletes and families should bring their own lunches and water bottles. WSO will be providing snacks - fruit, vegetables, granola bars, gummies, etc. There may be a snack bar open but at this point, please don't count on it.

We have a WSO Swim Group Me - it's an app that we used at the last meet to make communication at the event a little easier (if you are running late, sharing pics, where we are in the stands, etc). Not required just meant to be helpful....please use the link or the QR code if you would like to join: https://groupme.com/join_group/98417915/FRruiY3i

I love swim meets and I know this one is going to be a lot of fun!! Please keep in mind that it can be a long day, so a book, knitting, technology...something to keep you and your athlete busy while not swimming is probably a good idea.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns - if any other info comes my way, I will be sure to share it.

Thanks!

Jen

2025 SC SWIM HEAT SHEET

POLAR PLUNGE- FEBRUARY 8!

Polar Plunge Flyer

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TIME!!!!

Tournament Brackets

WSO SPORTS

BASKETBALL...

RED TEAM

RED TEAM SCHEDULE

WHITE TEAM

WHITE TEAM SCHEDULE

WOMEN'S TEAM

WOMEN'S TEAM SCHEDULE

GRAY TEAM

GRAY TEAM SCHEDULE

WSO BASKETBALL SKILLS

BASKETBALL SKILLS SCHEDULE

SWIM TEAM

SWIM TEAM! No Practice this Sunday! Team will be at Regional Meet!

CHEER

Competition practices are underway! Thursdays, from 6:30-7:30pm at Pointview Elementary School, 720 Pointview Dr Westerville, OH 43081

aprilmmerryman@gmail.com

Cheer Team Schedule

Westerville KIDS... (age 4-7)

WHAT'S NEXT? BASKETBALL!

WSO KIDS Basketball practices on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:15

Practices are held at Mark Twain Elementary, 799 E Walnut St.

WSO KIDS Registration Form

COACHES CORNER:

The State Office has a new system for Coaches' Education and Class A Volunteers. These enhancements are being put in place to ensure the athletes we serve are provided a fun and safe environment, improve the consistency in data collection and sharing, and streamline our communications.

- [Class A Forms](#) will now be collected on a single Microsoft Form and processed on a weekly basis (Wednesdays). There will be NO other way to submit these forms. The official form can be found [HERE](#)
 - After a volunteer fills out the form you will receive an email from Special Olympics Ohio Inc to complete the background check. **Both steps are required to be "cleared."**
 - Link for Protective Behavior and Concussion Training: <http://elearn.specialolympics.org/>
- [General Orientation](#) (Click on button below) This certification explains the basics of Special Olympics Ohio, coaching, and an introduction to the many programs we offer as an organization.

General Orientation Link

Medical/Release Expiration Dates:

**All information must be written on Medical Form. No attachments!
Expiration date listed!**

[Download Medical Form](#)

Adam Bracken (Aug 13, 2024)
Antonio Bellini (Mar 3, 2025)
Audrienne Darko (Feb 9, 2025)
Carl Lewis (Mar 3, 2025)
Carly Bartkus (Dec 7, 2024)
Chris Zito (Jan 28, 2025)
Collin Rees (Feb 9, 2025)

Danny Conrad (May 10, 2024)
DaQua Simmons (Mar 31, 2025)
Hannah McCaslin (Jan 31, 2025)
Ian Rutledge (Aug 30, 2024)
Jennifer Curtis (Mar 20, 2025)
Jordan Berger (Aug 19, 2024)
Justin Stein (Nov 24, 2024)
Kimberly Kovanda (Oct 1, 2024)
Maci Luba (Aug 23, 2024)
Maurice Jackson (May 28, 2024)
Megan Cole (Nov 1, 2024)
Nathan Laymon (Jan 28, 2025)
Paige Dudley (May 12, 2024)
Patrick Gruber (Dec 28, 2024)
Payne Lott (Nov 17, 2024)
Taylor Norman (Feb 1, 2025)

IN THE COMMUNITY...

CVS/TARGET

Special Olympics Inc has extended the relationship with CVS/Target Minute Clinics for medicals for participation in Special Olympics. The cost for a medical is \$66.93.

Here is the link of locations - <https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/clinic-locator/>

Hello, my name is Baiyina Burney and I am a certified CPR and First Aid trainer with the Red Cross Association. Have you wondered if your young adult could save a life if needed, or could they save your life? Well I'm looking to train individuals in Adult CPR. This course will be in a relaxed atmosphere with lots of patience and care. The course fee is \$80 for a 3 hour training and all individuals will leave with their Adult CPR certificate

good for 2 years. If interested, please reach out to me directly at (740) 963-2596. Thank you, Baiyina Burney

FREE YMCA MEMBERSHIP

Current, active athletes of WSO can apply for free membership with YMCA. Follow link: <https://airtable.com/appFMDJmL4oqtmWjl/shrsiTKXqY6CqUyEi>

Primary care designed with special needs families in mind - Call Boundless Health Worthington at 1-800-409-2729 to get scheduled today!

Boundless Health is the newest addition to the Boundless family – created specifically to meet the primary, preventive, and dental healthcare needs of people and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and behavioral health challenges. We are committed to providing Special Olympic Athletes, their loved ones, and the entire community access to whole-person services designed to meet unique needs. Our team is available to perform Special Olympic physicals and assist with any forms necessary to participate in the games!

We accept Medicaid, most private insurances, and offer a sliding scale. Call 1-800-409-2729 or visit BoundlessHealth.org to schedule your visit today.

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