

Special Olympics PA - East Fall 2023 Calendar - Regions: Northeast, GLVPR, Region 6, Region 3 South*

Task/Project	Date	Responsible	Notes
Fall Season Kickoff	March/April	HQ & Regions	Provide sports offerings, rule updates/priorities, important dates/deadlines
Fall Season Coach Prep webinar	Before May 15	Regions	Webinar to review seasonal timeline and walk through Sign-Up process and attendance trackers.
Fall Site Registration Form	April 1 - May 1	Head Coaches	Indicate where training sites will occur for the season
Fall Sign-up Form	May 15 - June 15	Athletes/Volunteers	Everyone (athletes and coaches) interested in participating in the fall season MUST complete this sign-up form
Fall Coach Training School Request via VSys	June 15	Coaches	Must be submitted by individuals in their VSys portal under "Training Schools, Webinars and More" select "Request a Skills Training School"
Fall Coach Training Schools	June 26 - July 30	HQ & Regions to schedule	Registration links will be provided, all interested coaches must register on Vsys portal
Fall Pre-season Coach webinars	July 17 - 28	HQ	Webinars to inform coaches in areas of emphasis and rule changes for the upcoming season
Fall Regional Pre-season coach meetings	July 31 - Aug 4	Regions	Regional meeting to review region specific events/info
Fall Season Begins	Aug 4 - Sept 8	Local Teams	Any site to begin training after Sept 8, will not be eligible for State Games
EFS Event Registration Info Shared	August 4	HQ	Will include revised allocations with team sport age group breakdown and events being offered at that competition
Fall Season Eligibility deadline	August 25	Regions	Athletes and coaches who have completed the Sign-Up Form must have all required paperwork completed by this time; those that do not will be scratched from rosters. All team sport age exemption requests must be submitted by this date. Coaches joining after this date must have all Class A requirements (valid background check and trainings) before attending a practice. Athletes looking to join after this date need to work with their respective Regional Team.
EFS LOI Due	Aug 31	Local Teams/Regions	LOI = Letter of Intent, how many athletes are you requesting for this event
EFS Final Allocations	Sept 1	HQ	HQ will provide final number of slots of event
EFS Roster Finalized by Coaches	Sept 5	Head Coach	Coaches identify athletes attending event within Attendance Tracker
EFS Rosters added to GMS	Sept 6	Regions	RSDs will pull list into GMS project
EFS Google Registration link shared	Sept 8	HQ	Event registration link
Fall Fest Event Registration Info Shared	Sept 8	HQ	HQ to send event information
EFS Registration due	Sept 14	Local Teams/Regions	Event registration deadline
EFS Competition Eligibility deadline	Sept 22	Regions	All participants registered for this event who have not met eligibility criteria (clearances, trainings or medical) will be scratched from the event
EFS Scratch/Activation deadline	Sept 25	Local Teams/Regions	Last chance to remove or make changes to athlete scores
Fall Fest LOI Due	Sept 28	Local Teams/Regions	LOI = Letter of Intent, how many athletes are you requesting for this event
Fall Fest Final Allocations	Sept 29	HQ	HQ will provide final number of slots of event
Eastern Fall Sectional at DeSales University	Oct 1	HQ/GLVPR	
Fall Fest Roster Finalized	Oct 2	Head Coach	Coaches identify athletes attending event within Attendance Tracker
Fall Fest Roster added to GMS	Oct 3	Regions	RSDs will pull list into GMS project
Fall Fest Google Registration link shared	Oct 5	HQ	HQ to send event information
Fall Fest Registration due	Oct 12	Local Teams/Regions	Event registration deadline
Fall Fest Competition Eligibility deadline	Oct 26	Regions	All participants registered for this event who have not met eligibility criteria (clearances, trainings or medical) will be scratched from the event
Fall Fest Scratch/Activation deadline	Oct 26	Local Teams/Regions	Last chance to scratch/add or make changes to athlete scores
Fall Fest at Villanova University	Nov 3-5	HQ	

Color Key:
Staff: HQ and/or Regions
Regions
Local Teams (Head Coaches/Volunteer Leaders)
Participants (Athletes/Volunteers)

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*Region 3 South includes: Northumberland/Synder, Union and Columbia/Montour