



Class A Volunteers

Who is a Class A Volunteer?

- Volunteers, who have regular, close physical contact with athletes.
- Volunteers in a position of authority or supervision with athletes.
- Volunteers in a position of trust of athletes.
- Volunteers who handle substantial amounts of cash or other assets of the Program.

Who falls into the Class A Volunteer Category?

Examples include coaches, unified partners, chaperones, ALP's mentors, overnight hosts, drivers for athletes, and volunteers who have substantial administrative and/or fiscal authority. Fundraising Event Committee members, Games Management Team members, Torch Run Volunteers, and Board members who meet the definition of a Class A Volunteer are also subject to the screening requirements.

Please note: Any parent, sibling, or family member who serves in any of the above capacities, such as a coach or chaperone, for any athlete in a Special Olympics activity (including their own family member) is considered a Class A Volunteer and subject to the required screening process.

Class A Volunteers will also go through the volunteer application or complete the "become a coach" (link to coaches page) checklist to go through the background check process.