



CHAMPIONS FOR INCLUSION

Special Olympics
Washington



THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023
Embassy Suites by Hilton Downtown Pioneer Square

AFTERNOON PROGRAM:

11:30 AM - Noon

Check-in & Networking

Noon - 1:30 PM

Lunch & Program

- Opening Remarks
- Award Ceremony
- Panel Discussion
- Program Closing

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Optional Stay & Play

Stay & Play!

Enjoy dessert & coffee while playing games on the patio with athletes & award winners!

THE \$10K MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE:

Double Your Impact Today!

Thank you for joining us in our effort to build a more inclusive future for Washington State! Your support will move us closer to a world of inclusion, acceptance, and respect for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Today, the first ten \$1,000 gifts will be matched, dollar for dollar, by our friends at Krusteaz. Please donate today and help transform more lives on and off the playing field.



WILL YOUR COMPANY MATCH YOUR DONATION?

Please consider asking your employer if they will match your donation to Special Olympics Washington! Many companies have a matching gift program enabling you to increase your impact!

Let us know if we can help your company join Special Olympics Washington as a community leader.

Welcome to the 2023 CHAMPIONS FOR INCLUSION LUNCHEON

Benefiting Special Olympics Washington



Dear Friends of Special
Olympics Washington,

Thank you for joining us in the effort to expand Special Olympics Washington's impact on the lives of people with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) throughout our state.

For over 20 years, thousands of Special Olympics Washington supporters have come together each spring for the Breakfast with Champions. After transitioning to a virtual event during the pandemic, we are thrilled to be back together in person once again. Welcome to the **Champions for Inclusion Luncheon**, which is a new spin on the Breakfast with Champions event.

Today, we are all brought together by a vision: a more inclusive future for Washington State. And that vision is driving the evolution of our organization. Last October, we announced **Beyond Gold**, a multi-year strategy to reimagine and expand Special Olympics Washington's impact on the lives of people with and without IDD.

One of our key priorities under the Beyond Gold strategy is the expansion of our Unified Champion Schools (UCS) program. To help propel our Beyond Gold strategy, proceeds from this afternoon will focus on expanding our Unified Schools program to urban and rural schools, which are communities most affected by inequalities related to economic status, race and geographic location. These investments will dramatically increase our reach and improve access for not only for our diverse athlete population, but also for youth without IDD. Around the world, youth are leading the "Inclusion Revolution" and are the future of the Special Olympics movement.

Now, let's celebrate inclusion in our community with some spectacular awards and embrace the value and lessons our athletes and advocates have to teach us all!

Thank you for joining us and enjoy the program!

David Wu

*President and CEO
Special Olympics Washington*

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Thank you to our:

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PANELISTS:



Brian Smith

Director of Athletics and Activities, Kent School District



Lindsey Cornish

Kentridge High School Special Education Teacher/UCS Liaison



Logan Kassebaum

Kentridge High School Athlete



Gabriel Lindley

Kentridge High School Unified Partner



GO BEYOND GOLD FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS WASHINGTON

\$5000

Bring Unified programming to a rural or urban community creating an inclusive school climate free of teasing, bullying, and exclusion.

\$2500

Host a Unified Sports Competition creating an opportunity for athletes with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities to join together on the playing field.

\$1000

Support one athlete's participation in Special Olympics for an entire year providing life changing opportunities through sports, health, school, and leadership programs.

The first 10 gifts of \$1,000 will be matched!

\$500

Bring Young Athletes programming to one classroom introducing children ages 2 to 7 years old to the joy of Special Olympics.

\$250

Fund a Spread the Word Inclusion Campaign engaging an entire school community in an anti-bullying movement.





Help us build a
**MORE INCLUSIVE
FUTURE FOR
WASHINGTON STATE!**

Unified Champion Schools, brings students with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) into shared classrooms and inclusive activities.

Unified Champion Schools gives individuals with IDD an educational setting where they truly belong today and peers without IDD who will champion belonging for a lifetime.

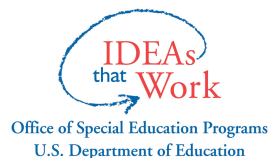
Through Beyond Gold, we will focus on our Urban Schools Initiative and on schools in rural areas, to reach communities most affected by inequalities related to economic status, race, and geographic location. With your support, we can create more environments where everyone feels welcome, valued, and included both in school and in their local community.

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AWARD WINNERS

Community Champion of the Year



Mary Kay Beeby

by  **Knights of
Columbus**

Golisano Health Leadership Award



Jessie Fudge, MD

Sports Medicine Physician at Kaiser Permanente of
Washington

Golisano Health Leadership Award



**Kaiser Permanente
Washington**

AWARD WINNERS



Northwest Athlete of the Year



Logan Kassebaum

Southwest Athlete of the Year



Miranda Johnson

East Athlete of the Year



Edward Vichi



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OUR VISION

We are a catalyst for inclusion!

Special Olympics Washington is the leader in sports, inclusive health, community building, intellectual and developmental disabilities empowering children and adults with intellectual disabilities to be valued on and off the playing field.

SAVE THE DATE!

2023 Tasting Room
Friday, October 13
Four Seasons Hotel Seattle

Learn More at:



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