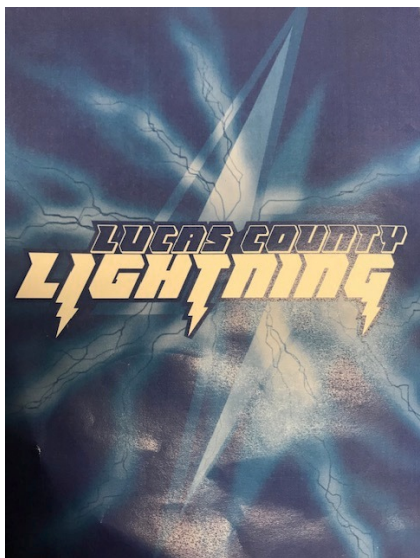


Lucas County Special Olympics

Spring Newsletter

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Hello Everyone! We hope everyone is staying healthy and looking forward to the end of Winter and the beginning of Spring and the new season of sports it brings!

This year, we plan on offering all of the spring sports we offered in the past, but please understand circumstances can change at any time and the way our sports look may need to be altered at any time. Our athletes' safety is our first priority. We will be encouraging families/providers to wait outside during practices to limit the number of people together in an enclosed area unless (this will only pertain to volleyball this season). We understand some individuals have supervision needs and know you will need

to stay with your athlete.

Below is a description of each spring sport that will be offered. Athletes can only register for one spring sport from the list and walking group if you wish.



Volleyball- Volleyball is quite popular in Lucas County!! We will be offering modified volleyball (a bigger, softer ball is used) and traditional volleyball. If you decide to register for volleyball, you will receive information regarding a screening day once registration closes. Coaches and SO staff will determine after the screening process which team athletes will be assigned to based on their skill level. **Please note each volleyball team is only allowed 10 athletes. Unfortunately, some athletes may not make a team. Athletes who do not make a team will be able to choose another spring sport to participate in.



Tennis- We are always looking for new athletes to join our tennis team. If you decide to register for tennis, you will receive information regarding practice times and locations once registration closes.



Bocce: This is a sport that has gained popularity over the past few years here in Lucas County! Bocce is one of our more relaxing yet competitive sports that fits any ability and age range!! We hope to have our second artificial turf court finished by the beginning of bocce season so more athletes can practice at once. If you choose to register for bocce, you will receive information regarding practice times and location once registration is closed



Track and Field- Track and Field is back!! Interested in running, walking or wheelchair events? Interested in shot put, mini javelin, long jump or softball throw? You are in the right place! Track and field events are for any skill level and offers wheelchair events as well. If you choose to register for track and field your will receive information regarding practice times and location once registration is closed.



Cycling- Cycling is an individual sport where practices and training is done on your own, with your own bike/equipment. If you are interested in cycling, you may be asked to turn in cycling times for regional and state events if you would like to compete against others. If you register for cycling we will reach out with more information once registration is closed.



Walking Group- Looking for something more relaxing and not competitive? Then walking group is for you! Anyone is welcome to join and you can be registered for another sport and still be a part of our walking group (as long as it does not interfere with other practices). Once registered, location and times will be sent out after registration closes.

To Register for a Spring Sport:

1. The quickest and best way is to register using this link:

<http://lucasdd.org/special-olympics-registration/>

2. Email registration form to specialolympics@lucasdd.org

3. Mail registration to: Lucas County Special Olympics

Registration

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Ohio Special Olympics State Winter Games

at BGSU on March 5th - 6th

The 2022 State Winter games will be held at Bowling Green State University the weekend of March 5th and 6th. Lucas County will have several athletes competing in the different sports taking place.

- The Lucas County Lightning Swim Team will be competing on Saturday morning, March 5th, beginning at 9am. Events will occur throughout the day at the pool at the Student Rec Center.
- Our Division 2 Basketball team will be competing in the championship/gold medal game on Saturday at 11am at the Stroh Center.
- Our Lucas County Lightning Cheer team will be competing on Saturday afternoon at 1pm at the Perry Fieldhouse.

**Please click on the link below for more specifics on the schedule.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nQr_dFxEkh84qTpRkOzhpbLA-0eeQyU8/view?usp=sharing

There is no cost to attend and everyone is welcome to come cheer on our Lucas County Lightning teams!

Questions? email kwatson@lucasdd.org or call 419-380-5109