

Special Olympics Howard County Policy on Participating in Multiple Sports per Season

As we continue to grow and facilities space becomes increasingly restricted, there may be times when we will be forced to limit athletes to participate in only one sport per season. Currently, athletes can participate in multiple sports if practice and competition times do not conflict. If there are issues with too many athletes registering for sports, we may have to change the policy to allow athletes to only do one sport per season. We are not there yet, but are getting close to enacting this because of limited facility space in some sports. We are competing with numerous school and recreational sports programs for a finite number of fields, gyms, pools, and courts. In some cases, we have had to pay for the facilities - such as the HCC pool and the riding center - and in other cases, we have had wonderful in-kind donations such as Timbers of Troy GC, Quest Fitness, and the Gardens Ice House.