

# Global Messenger Training Friday, June 12th and Saturday, June 13th, 2009 Casper, Wyoming

Who: **Athletes** interested in representing Special Olympics Wyoming through public speaking opportunities.

We're looking for athletes that are passionate about the program and are able to express themselves clearly. We recommend athletes be at least 16 years of age.

**Mentors** to serve as Speech Coaches. Mentors provide support to their respective Global Messenger in the preparation of presentations and arrange local speaking opportunities. Special Olympics encourages someone other than a family member to serve as a mentor.

What:

The workshop is participation based, providing athletes and their mentors the tools and skills to speak on behalf of Special Olympics Wyoming. Participants will be introduced to the Athlete Leadership Programs (ALP's), become familiar with presentation materials, learn appropriate dress and behavior and demonstrate an understanding of the mission of Special Olympics.

Each athlete (Global Messenger) must commit to schedule and make two presentations in their own community during the year following the training. In addition, athletes may be asked to represent Special Olympics Wyoming at statewide events and activities.

Also

There will be **break-out sessions for veteran Global Messengers** which will offer more advanced aspects of public speaking and presentation skills.

**Futures Planning** Feedback, insights and recommendations from athletes for Special Olympics Wyoming to grow.

Again in 2009!!!!

**Media Training**

Athletes and their mentors will again have the opportunity to tour a radio station and a television station. Find out what's happening behind the scenes and develop skills and techniques to improve on-air skills. This was a great success last year so we are changing it up and doing it again!!!!

**Leadership Opportunities**

Special Olympics Wyoming has sent two of our global Messengers to Washington DC to speak on behalf of the organization. We will hear from those athletes and discuss future opportunities for athletes to teach our communities about Special Olympics. Global Messenger training is one avenue to reach our goals regarding the Global Messenger Newsletter and taking advantage of our web pages to get the word out.



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Register: Complete the application on the reverse side of this form and return it no later than **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**. This training will be limited to 25 current and future Global Messengers. Details and final arrangements will be sent June 4th.

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**Application Form – Due Friday, May 29th, 2009**

Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran                       First Year Global Messenger

Local Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Area: I II III IV V

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size sm med lg xl xxl xxxl

Participated in Special Olympics since: \_\_\_\_\_

List sports in which you currently compete: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you competed in other sports? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any speaking experience? If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

In your own words/writing please explain why you would like to be a Global Messenger: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Special Olympics Wyoming recommends that someone **other** than a parent serve as a mentor.)*

Local Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Area: I II III IV V

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteered with Special Olympics since: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any speaking experience? If yes please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please share this with someone who may be interested in participating!!!!!!**  
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**Return the completed form to:**

Special Olympics Wyoming ▼ 232 East 2nd St., Ste. 201 ▼ Casper, WY 82601 ▼ or fax (307) 235-3063