



Local Coordinators/Head Coaches:

This information is meant to accompany the 2023 SONM State Summer Games Registration Packet. Please make sure you download all documents associated with the 2023 Summer Games.

All registration material must be sent to the Chapter office:

Special Olympics New Mexico
6600 Palomas NE, Suite 207
Albuquerque, NM 87109.

Packets can be faxed to **(505) 856-0346** or emailed to chrispage@sonm.org or Jena@sonm.org

There is a \$30.00 team assessment fee for each Athlete, Coach, Unified Partner, and Chaperon registered as part of your delegation.

2023 SONM State Summer Games: May 19-21

Albuquerque

State Qualifying Area Summer Games (Athletics, Bocce, Unified Flag Football and Unified Volleyball)

General Information

Venue: UNM Track and Field Stadium, UNM Johnson Center
Season Opens: March 4, 2023
Season Length: 12 Weeks
Sports: Athletics, Bocce, Unified Flag Football, Unified Volleyball

Registration Deadlines

Area 1: April 19
Area 2: April 19
Area 3: April 12
Area 4: April 12
Area 5: April 19
Area 6: April 19

SCRATCH DEADLINE: May 12, 2023
MEDICAL DEADLINE: May 12, 2023
A VOLUNTEER DEADLINE: May 12, 2023

State Qualifying Area Summer Games

Area 1

April 29	Farmington	TBA (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
April 24	Farmington	TBA (Unified Volleyball)

Area 2

April 29	Pojoaque	Pojoaque Valley High School (Athletics and Bocce)
April 22	Santa Fe	Ft. Marcy Rec Center (Unified Volleyball)
April 29	Rio Rancho	Cleveland high School (Unified Flag Football)

Area 3

April 22	Las Cruces	TBA (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
TBA	Las Cruces	TBA (Unified Volleyball)

Area 4

April 29	Carlsbad	Carlsbad High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
----------	----------	---

Area 5

April 29 Rio Rancho Cleveland High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
April 30 Albuquerque UNM Johnson Center (Unified Volleyball)

Area 6

April 27 Gallup Rehoboth High School (Unified Volleyball)
April 29 Gallup Rehoboth High School (Athletics and Bocce)

Contact your Area Director for detailed information regarding location and start times.

Area Contacts

Area 1	Debra Lisenbee	dlisenbee@gobrainstorm.net	(505) 860-4693
Area 2	Ana Silva	sonm.area2@gmail.com	(505) 946-8117
Area 2	Cindy Varela	sonm.area2@gmail.com	(505) 490-0208
Area 3	Ronda Norfleet	soarea3@q.com	(505) 469-3466
Area 4	Carolyn Olson	cole@bajabb.com	(575) 302-0927
Area 5	Jena Waddell	jena@sonm.org	(505) 385-6403
Area 6	Janie Lee Hall	janielee16@msn.com	(505) 870-8707

Area Athlete of the Year

- The Area Athlete of the Year nomination form is included with the registration packet. This form should be copied and given to athletes, coaches, partners, chaperons, and families. Everyone involved with our movement should have the opportunity to nominate any athlete that they feel deserves to be recognized.
- **Please send all athlete nominations to your Area Director by the registration deadline.**

Sports and Event Information

- **Athletics:** the 2023 SONM Track and Field meet will use a similar schedule to the one used in 2022. Events that were moved to Friday, will stay on Friday in 2023. The 4 X 100 M Relay will be offered as a Traditional and Unified event.
- **Bocce (Traditional and Unified):** Each coach will rank each doubles team as **High, Middle, or LOW**. The Bocce Schedule will be set up in Sessions with 24 courts per session. Your division number will dictate which session a team has been assigned to.
- **Unified Flag Football:** This venue will be much the same as in years past. Make sure you have to most current rules which state "Updated in Spring 2021" on the cover. **Rosters cannot exceed 10 players.**
- **Volleyball: The minimum roster for all divisions is 8 players.** We will no longer accept rosters of 6 players. Teams are strongly encouraged to place their athletes in appropriate events. We have many C Level athletes competing in the team event when they should be registered to compete in the skills competition.

Event Entry Overview

- **The Overall Entry Rule:** Athletes are eligible to compete in **two sports** as long as those two sports are: 1) not hosted on the same day, 2) the athlete has trained a minimum of eight weeks in both sports, 3) the athlete has competed at the Area level in both sports.
- All Athletes and Unified Partners are eligible to compete in the 4 X 100 M Relay.
- **Individual Sports Entry:** (Athletics) Athletes are eligible to enter into two individual events and a relay. If there is no relay entry, the Athlete is **not** eligible for a third individual event.