



Local Coordinators/Head Coaches:

This information is meant to accompany the 2024 SONM State Summer Games Registration Packet. Please make sure you download all documents associated with the 2024 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](mailto:chrispage@sonm.org) or [Jena@sonm.org](mailto:Jena@sonm.org)

**There is a \$40.00 team assessment fee for each Athlete, Coach, Unified Partner, and Chaperon registered as part of your delegation.**

**2024 SONM State Summer Games: May 31-June 2**

**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 9, 2024

Season Length: 12 Weeks (10 weeks minimum training required)

Sports: Athletics, Bocce, Unified Flag Football, Unified Volleyball

**Registration Deadlines**

Area 1: April 17

Area 2: April 10

Area 3: April 24

Area 4: May 1

Area 5: April 10

Area 6: April 24

**SCRATCH DEADLINE: May 22, 2024**

**MEDICAL DEADLINE: May 22, 2024**

**A VOLUNTEER DEADLINE: May 22, 2024**

**State Qualifying Area Summer Games**

**Area 1**

April 27	Farmington	Piedra Vista High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
April 26	Farmington	Farmington Rec Center (Unified Volleyball)

**Area 2**

May 4	Pojoaque	Pojoaque Valley High School (Athletics and Bocce)
April 20	Santa Fe	Ft. Marcy Rec Center (Unified Volleyball)
April 27	Rio Rancho	Cleveland high School (Unified Flag Football)

**Area 3**

May 4	Las Cruces	Organ Mountain High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
TBA	Las Cruces	TBA (Unified Volleyball)

**Area 4**

May 11	Carlsbad	Carlsbad High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)
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## Area 5

April 27 Rio Rancho Cleveland High School (Athletics, Bocce and Flag Football)  
April 20 Albuquerque UNM Johnson Center (Unified Volleyball)

## Area 6

May 9 Gallup Rehoboth High School (Unified Volleyball)  
May 4 Gallup Rehoboth High School (Athletics and Bocce)

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

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## 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 2024 SONM Track and Field meet will use a similar schedule to the one used in 2023. Events that were moved to Friday, will stay on Friday in 2024. The 4 X 100 M Relay will be offered as a Traditional and Unified event.
  - All Relays, Unified and Traditional, will be heated together by qualifying time.
  - All Relay Team must have a minimum of 5 people on a team.
- **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.
  - **In 2024, we will not scratch a team from competition if a member of the doubles team does not show.** The remaining player will still compete as a single player with a 1 ball penalty.
- **Unified Flag Football:** This venue will be much the same as in years past. Make sure you have the 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.

## 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 two individual events and a relay. If there is no relay entry, the Athlete is **not** eligible for a third individual event.