### Special Olympics Alpine (Downhill Skiing)

**For Athletes with Different Abilities**

- Open to any Special Olympics athlete or volunteer ages 14+
- Practice dates TBA
- Athletes must provide their own ski equipment by purchasing or renting. Rental skis & boots are provided for by Special Olympics Illinois at the two competitions. Ski helmets are mandatory.
- A parent, family member, PSW or family-provided volunteer must be available at practice and competitions and must be on skis to assist athletes. DVSA policy is 1:1 and volunteers can’t be guaranteed by DVSA.
- Cost: $70 for organizational fees. Athlete is responsible for lift tickets and other expenses. Ski passes are provided for athletes at competitions.
- Spaces are very limited.
- Athletes must have valid SOILL Medical App valid through February 2018.
- Volunteers are welcome! Please complete forms.
- Call 630-632-1965 or email dvspecialathletes@gmail.com for more information.

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### Important Dates and Reminders

**Deadline to Register is Sept. 15.** DVSA must submit rosters very early for the competitions below.

It’s important to note that the competitions do take place during the work week and total four days. Athletes will need to be absent from school, transition program or work in order to compete. In order to participate in our program, athletes/parents/guardians must be available to commit to the following competitions. At this time we are unable to take on athletes for lessons-only. Dates are still tentative.

- **Jan. 3 -- State Qualifier in Wilmot, Wisc.** (approx. 1.5 hour drive). This is an all day event and skiers must pass an evaluation in order to compete. In order to participate in our program, athletes/parents/guardians must be available to commit to the following competitions. At this time we are unable to take on athletes for lessons-only. Dates are still tentative.
- **Feb. 6, 7 & 8 -- Winter Games in Galena.** Athletes must attend the Qualifier in Wilmot to compete. Ski equipment is provided. Skiers need to be arrive by noon on 2/6 and stay all 3 days. Parents/guardians must attend.