

# SPECIAL OLYMPICS AROOSTOOK COUNTY BASKETBALL



**Please read carefully as there are some changes to the format and times this year.**

Dear Coaches:

You and your athletes are invited to attend the *Special Olympics Basketball Tournament* to be held on *Wednesday, January 16th, 2019*, at the *University of Maine at Presque Isle's Gentile Hall*. Get your athletes pumped up to play Basketball! [Registration will begin at 8:30 AM with the opening ceremony at 9:30 a.m.](#)

We are going to play **Basketball!!!!** Each of your athletes will be assigned to a team of their peers by age and will be playing two **5 on 5 full court games**. The games will be 7 minutes of running time and both courts will be used at the same time. Teams for **5 on 5 games** will be selected once all registrations are received. Each athlete will receive ribbons and/or medals as a member of the team in the 5 on 5 games.

**There will not be any individual skills events and each athlete will be expected to play in the games.**

Please have the athletes properly equipped, (**sneakers are required and gym shorts are recommended**), stretched and ready to participate in the day's events by 9:30 a.m. The event should be completed by 12 noon to allow for time for you and your athletes to enjoy lunch in the local area.

**MANDATORY:** Please make sure all athletes are up-to-date on their medical and press releases! Medical releases are good for three years and press releases are good for one year. [No street shoes in the Gentile Hall gymnasium area. Clean sneakers are required.](#)

**Included with this letter is a Basketball Skills Registration Form that needs to be returned no later than January 9th, 2019.**

Please return completed registration forms via mail to me at Central Aroostook Association, 25 Lombard Street, Presque Isle, ME 04769 or email to [cmichaud@centralaroostookassociation.com](mailto:cmichaud@centralaroostookassociation.com), or by fax to **207.554.4566** no later than **Wednesday, January 9th, 2019**. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Steve Richard at [srichard@centralaroostookassociation.com](mailto:srichard@centralaroostookassociation.com) or 207-764-0134 or myself at [cmichaud@centralaroostookassociation.com](mailto:cmichaud@centralaroostookassociation.com) or 207-554-4547.

Sincerely,

*Carl Michaud*

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Central Aroostook Association

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*Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt.*

