



August 7, 2020

Hello –

Who imagined in their wildest dreams that this is what our August would look like? The challenges and questions surrounding the return to school, the dialogue over protective wear, sorting through so much information from so many sources, it seems neverending. We are also finding out how resilient we can be, and how important our community is, whether it be family, friends, or Special Olympics. Thank you for your efforts to stay engaged with your athletes and stay informed.

As I have said before, and I believe worth repeating our two guiding principles; safety for our athletes, partners, volunteers, and families and offering a quality experience for everyone.

Special Olympics Wyoming is allowing and encouraging training for the following sports:

- Golf
- Cycling
- Equestrian
- Bocce
- Softball Skills
- [Bowling](#)
- [Tennis](#)

Outside of bowling, the sports listed are all outdoor sports and allow for physical distancing. For bowling, it is imperative that you work with your local Bowling facility, and a maximum of twenty-five (including coaches) will be allowed at any training session. Please follow all guidelines on conducting a safe training opportunity for our athletes and yourself.

Special Olympics Wyoming will not be offering in-person Area Bowling Tournaments or a State Bowling Tournament this year – As an alternative? LOCAL COMPETITION! The organization will implement virtual Area(s) and State Bowling Tournaments.

Staff, including Area Directors, have devised the following plan for 2020 bowling competition;

- August – September – October Training as facilities become available
- October 17-31 Local Competition
- November 5-6 Virtual Area competition
- November 12 & 13 Virtual State competition

Two documents are available to help you navigate this process; [Local Bowling Tournament Protocol](#) and [2020 Virtual Bowling Tournament](#).

Points to consider in planning training:

- Any gatherings under the auspices of Special Olympics Wyoming can have no more than twenty-five people (athletes, partners, and coaches).
- You must keep an attendance record of any Special Olympics gathering.

- Refer to [established guidelines](#) to keep everyone as safe as possible.

I have to add the stipulation that all of the above information is based on what we know today; knowledge is always evolving, and if anything changes, we will notify you immediately.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, feedback, and support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Pausilla P. Jowse". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "P" at the beginning.

President & CEO

Special Olympics Wyoming