



**SCHOOL OF CHARACTER APPLICATION
2018 Award Year**

SCHOOL	
ADVISOR(s)	
SCHOOL ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior High/Middle School
SCHOOL PHONE	ADVISOR EMAIL
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT	
SUPERINTENDENT'S MAILING ADDRESS	
I certify that the below activities are accurately represented:	
(Signature of Advisor or Principal)	

DIRECTIONS

- You must be an MASC member school to participate. Contact Terri Johnson (mascducks@gmail.com) for details on how to become a member or visit www.masc1.org to signup today.
- Fill out school information (above) completely.
- Label all papers, photos, newspaper articles, etc., with the name of your school and the category number (i.e. – “Required, #2” or “Optional #6”).
- You may submit electronically, via Google docs or via email to lutz@somo.org or by mail to Trish Lutz, Special Olympics Missouri, 1001 Diamond Ridge, Suite 800, Jefferson City, MO 65109.
- You may not use an activity for more than one category.
- In order to qualify for the Gold level you must fulfill all required activities and at least 2 optional activities (cannot qualify with just fundraising points).
- Include one artifact for verification of each activity (photograph, newspaper article, receipt, etc). Only one activity per category is necessary. **Have advisor initial** in “Submitted” column.
- Activities from **January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017**, may be used.
- Have your advisor or principal review the completed application, sign and date application.
- **Application must be received by February 9, 2018.**

<p>FOR SOMO USE ONLY</p> <p>Date received:</p> <p>Date reviewed:</p> <p>Award granted: <input type="checkbox"/>Gold <input type="checkbox"/>Silver <input type="checkbox"/>Bronze</p> <p>Reason, if no:</p> <p>Level: <input type="checkbox"/>HS <input type="checkbox"/>MS/JH</p> <p>MASC member: <input type="checkbox"/>Yes <input type="checkbox"/>No</p>	<p>Questions & clarifications, contact:</p> <p>Trish Lutz Sr. Director of Programs, Special Olympics Missouri lutz@somo.org 573.635.1660 ext 34 www.somo.org</p>
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AWARDS SUMMARY

	High School	Middle /Jr High
<p>Award of Merit Awarded to 1 school displaying outstanding commitment to individuals with intellectual disabilities, a true understanding of unity, and a passion for raising awareness and funds for local SOMO athletes. In addition to meeting the point minimum, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An essay explaining your school's efforts to meet the above requirements. • A video showing events you held/organized/participated in during the year. • Proof of your fundraising efforts, using the fundraising tracking sheet at the end of this packet. <p>Winner will receive the Gold level rewards, plus \$500 for your school's SO team equipment/uniforms, etc*.</p>	1200	1000
<p>Gold (\$300+ value) Choose <u>ONE</u> of the following or 3 from the Bronze package: (Points must be from the required activities + a minimum of 2 optional activities.)</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Play Unified package + 10 add'l Play Unified shirts, banner, 50 giveaways (example: pens, cups). • 1 MASC camp scholarship. • \$300 toward your school's SO team equipment/uniforms, etc*. 	1000	650
<p>Silver (\$200+ value) Choose <u>ONE</u> of the following or two from the Bronze package: (Points must be from the required activities + a minimum of 1 optional activity.)</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Play Unified package (10 Play Unified shirts) + 5 add'l Play Unified shirts, banner, 25 giveaways (example: pens, cups). • \$200 toward your school's SO team equipment/uniforms, etc*. 	650	500
<p>Bronze (\$100+ value) Choose <u>ONE</u> of the following: (Points must be from the required activities + a minimum of 1 optional activity.)</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Play Unified package (10 Play Unified shirts). • \$100 toward your school's SO team equipment/uniforms, etc*. 	500	400

***Within the expenditure guideline established through SOMO agency accounts and approved by the SOMO Board of Directors.**



REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

SUBMITTED (Advisor initials)	POINTS TOTAL (to be filled out by SOMO)	QUALIFYING ACTIVITY
		1. <input type="checkbox"/> Group of 10 or more volunteers at a SOMO local, area, regional, or state event. <i>Examples: Fans in the stands, scorekeeper, referee, etc.</i> – 100 pts
		2. <input type="checkbox"/> Group photographs – one group, one action. – 100 pts

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

SUBMITTED (Advisor Initials)	POINTS TOTAL (to be filled out by SOMO)	QUALIFYING ACTIVITY
		1. <input type="checkbox"/> Host a whole school engagement activity (examples: Play Unified Day, SOMO event that all students have the opportunity to volunteer, Pep Rally that includes SOMO team(s), Spread the Word to End the Word, Respect Week, Plunge Team promotional events, etc.) – 100 pts Enhancement Opportunities: <input type="checkbox"/> Students with and without disabilities are involved with the planning and leading the whole school awareness activities. (50 additional points)
		2. <input type="checkbox"/> Your school has Unified Sports® (A fully-inclusive sports or fitness program that combines an approximately equal number of students with and without intellectual disabilities. Examples are Unified team competes at SOMO Competition(s), Unified PE or Unified Intramurals.) – 100 pts Enhancement Opportunities: <input type="checkbox"/> At least 2 seasons of Unified Sports are offered throughout the school year. (50 additional pts) <input type="checkbox"/> There is an adult certified coach for each sport who has received training on Unified Sports (50 additional pts) <input type="checkbox"/> Unified Sports is officially recognized by the school in a similar style as other athletics/activities. (50 additional pts)
		3. Have a Unified Club or student group. (A Unified Club is a club for students with and without intellectual disabilities that comes together for sports, games, community service, school events, and most of all, to have fun!) – 100 pts Enhancement opportunities: <input type="checkbox"/> The Inclusive club/group meets at least once per month through the school year. (50 additional points) <input type="checkbox"/> The inclusive club/group has an adult liaison and is officially recognized by the school in a similar style as other clubs/activities (50 additional points)
		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Your school has SOMO athletes who compete at local, area, regional and/or state competition – 100 pts Enhancement opportunities: <input type="checkbox"/> Your school recognizes SOMO athletes with athletic letters. (50 pts)
		5. <input type="checkbox"/> Organize & run a Young Athlete Program. Training required prior to execution. Contact Trish to set up training. – 250 pts
		6. <input type="checkbox"/> Host a SOMO information booth at an MASC event. – 250 pts
		7. <input type="checkbox"/> Host a round table or discussion group at an MASC district or state convention about SOMO. – 500 pts
		8. Fundraise. <i>Plunge, Over the Edge, Raffle or other fundraiser.</i> 1 point for every \$100 raised. Use tracking form. – variable pts
		9. Student Council has a Special Olympics committee. – 250 pts.
		10. Individuals with intellectual disabilities who serve on the Student Council in meaningful leadership roles. – 500 pts (Please include name of individual and what role(s) they serve.)



