

IOWA CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# UNIFIED SPORTS

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SCHOOL DISTRICT**

All In for All Kids

# Unified Sports

Building Inclusion, Belonging, and Community  
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## What Is Unified Sports?

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The Unified Sports Program brings students with and without disabilities together through shared athletic and activity experiences. The program promotes inclusion, teamwork, leadership, and meaningful relationships while ensuring equitable access to school-sponsored activities for all students.

Unified Sports is more than competition; it's about connection, respect, and belonging.

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## Why Unified Sports Matters

- Promotes inclusive school communities
- Builds leadership and social skills
- Encourages teamwork, empathy, and collaboration
- Creates meaningful opportunities for all students to participate

## How the Program Works

- Students participate together on Unified teams and in Unified activities
- Programs are supported by trained staff and partners
- Experiences are designed to be engaging, safe, and student-centered
- Each high school has a dedicated Building Coordinator to support students, families, and staff.

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## Building Coordinators

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Building Coordinators serve as the primary point of contact for participation, questions, and program support at each school.

**City High School**  
Christi Johnson

**Liberty High School**  
Peggy McGuire

**West High School**  
Tony Rex

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## What's Next:

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- Each school will determine a first activity that will work best for their population
- Each school will start the activity as soon as possible
- Each school will have at least 1 competition before the 3rd Trimester
- Each school will have Track & Field as their second activity
- In May/June, there will be a Track & Field competition between schools

# QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION