



## Red Robin Tip-A-Cop Guidebook for Athletes

### DELAWARE LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

For over 35 years, Delaware Law Enforcement for Special Olympics (LESO) has been a champion of acceptance and inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities. The mission of LESO is to increase public awareness and generate resources for the Special Olympics movement in Delaware.

### RED ROBIN TIP-A-COP EVENT DETAILS

Special Olympics Delaware athletes, alongside local members of law enforcement, volunteer their time at Red Robin locations throughout the state. Volunteers work with Red Robin staff to greet patrons and go around to tables sharing information about LESO and SODE. Patrons are given the opportunity to leave a donation to Special Olympics Delaware if they feel inclined to do so.

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023                      Time: Lunch Shift – 11:00am to 2:00pm  
Dinner Shift – 4:00 to 6:00pm  
6:00 to 8:00pm

Locations:	Brandywine	6100 Brandywine Pkwy, Wilmington, DE 19803
	Christiana	101 W Main St, Newark, DE 19702
	Glasgow	2496 Pulaski Highway, Glasgow, DE 19702
	Middletown	140 Commerce Dr, Middletown, DE 19709
	Dover	40 N Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901

- There is no need for volunteers to arrive any earlier than the scheduled shift start time.
- Please wear a SODE t-shirt or polo, along with your favorite medal.
- Get to know your fellow SODE athlete volunteers, law enforcement volunteers, and Red Robin staff. This event works best when everyone works as a team and has fun together!
- Volunteers can:
  - Greet patrons when they arrive
  - Pair up with law enforcement volunteers to chat with guests after they are seated
    - Introduce yourself
    - Share what sports you play
    - Explain why Special Olympics is important to you
    - Thank them for coming out today
    - Sample talking points are provided below
- This event is only successful if people come out to eat, so spread the word to your family and friends to come see you!



## IDEAS FOR TALKING POINTS

Welcome to Red Robin!

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm a Special Olympics athlete!

We are here volunteering today for the Tip-A-Cop event.

I am an athlete with the \_\_\_\_\_ *[area]* \_\_\_\_\_.

My favorite sport is \_\_\_\_\_.

I won the medal I'm wearing for \_\_\_\_\_ *[sport]* \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ *[competition]* \_\_\_\_\_.

My favorite thing about Special Olympics is \_\_\_\_\_.

*[If participating in basketball]* I am excited for this Saturday - I will be playing basketball at the Bob Carpenter Center at the University of Delaware.

Thank you for coming to Red Robin today!

If you decide to make a donation, your support will help me and my friends play the sports we love!

Everything I do with Special Olympics is completely FREE for my family and me.

When I receive a medal from a law enforcement officer, I feel \_\_\_\_\_ *[happy, excited, proud]* \_\_\_\_\_.

I love seeing members of law enforcement at Special Olympics events, like the Lewes Polar Bear Plunge, Ride to the Tide, Over the Edge, Truck Convoy...

Thank you for your support!