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**Special Olympics Illinois Athletes to Compete in
State Flag Football Tournament Sunday, Nov. 4**

Who: Over 250 Special Olympics Illinois athletes, coaches and Unified partners (a peer partner without an intellectual disability). The public is encouraged to attend and cheer on the teams.

What: 2018 Special Olympics Illinois State Flag Football Tournament. State Flag Football is one of 9 state sports competitions. Flag Football is the newest sport offered to Special Olympics Illinois.

Where: Avanti's Dome
3401 Griffin Ave
Pekin, IL 61554

When: Sunday, November 4, 2018
Opening Ceremony: 8:30 am
Competition from 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Why: State Flag Football is the culminating competition for those participating in Flag Football and a stand-alone competition and serves as a showcase for our Flag Football athletes to demonstrate the skills they have learned throughout the year.

About Special Olympics Illinois:

Special Olympics Illinois is a not-for-profit organization offering year-round training and competition in 18 sports for more than 23,000 athletes with intellectual disabilities and nearly 20,000 Young Athletes ages 2-7 with and without intellectual disabilities. Special Olympics transforms the lives of people with intellectual disabilities, allowing them to realize their full potential in sports and in life. Special Olympics programs enhance physical fitness, motor skills, self-confidence, social skills and encourage family and community support. If you are interested in learning more about Special Olympics Illinois, volunteering or providing financial support to help make Special Olympics programs possible, contact your local Special Olympics agency, call 800-394-0562 or visit our website at www.soill.org. Follow Special Olympics Illinois on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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