

# Brian Antczak

*Special  
Olympics  
Illinois*



**Sport: Athletics**  
**Hometown: Pontiac, IL**  
**Age: 43**

**1. How long have you been with Special Olympics?**

I have participated in Special Olympics for 10 years. I have been a part of athletics, bowling, and basketball.

**2. How has Special Olympics changed your life?**

Special Olympics has changed my life because I have been able to meet new people, travel around Illinois, and make self-accomplishments.

**3. What has been your biggest obstacle to overcome?**

Being a part of Team Illinois is my biggest accomplishment with Special Olympics.

**4. What makes you most proud?**

I am most proud because I keep trying and not giving up.

**5. What are some other accomplishments you are proud of?**

I have been able to show better sportsmanship, I have become a better teammate, and I have achieved golds in athletic events.

**6. What other interests or hobbies do you have?**

I enjoy walking, camping, fishing, hiking, doing word searches, and making crafts.

**7. Who do you admire most and why?**

I admire JD, Maryssa, and my coaches because they push me to do my best and never give up on me.

**8. What does attending USA Games mean to you?**

I am very excited to compete in Florida and meet other teams from around the United States. I am proud of myself. I look forward to competing, cheering everyone on, making memories, and making new friends.



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**9. How are you preparing/training for USA Games?**

I am preparing for the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games by practicing with my coach every Tuesday and Thursday and doing different exercises like lifting weights. I am trying to eat healthier, I am working on making better drink choices, and I walk and ride my bike when it's nice out.

**10. Have you been to a World Games or USA Games before?**

I have not participated in any past Games.

**11. Are you employed? If so, where at and what's your role?**

I am employed at Stollers as a janitor.

**12. Are you currently a student? If so, where and is it a Unified Champion School?**

I am not currently a student.

