

Alex Huegen

*Special
Olympics
Illinois*



Sport: Athletics
Hometown: Bartelso, IL
Age: 21

1. How long have you been with Special Olympics?

Alex has been a Special Olympics athlete for over 10 years. He has participated in bocce, volleyball, basketball, bowling, athletics, softball, and snowshoe. He is an athlete leader and a Health Messenger.

2. How has Special Olympics changed your life?

Before Special Olympics, Alex was lacking friends and motivation for school. He didn't believe that there was much of a future for him.

3. What has been your biggest obstacle to overcome?

Alex lacked friends and was bullied in junior high.

4. What makes you most proud?

Alex is proud of making varsity, going to college, and running 10 miles a day.

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

Alex runs on a full ride scholarship for a D2 junior college cross country program.

6. What other interests or hobbies do you have?

Alex's current hobby is actually working. He is a dedicated and strong worker.

7. Who do you admire most and why?

He admires all of his fellow cross country team members and coaches he has had over the years from high school and college.

8. What does attending USA Games mean to you?

Alex is looking forward to meeting people from other states and making new friends.

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

Alex is currently training with his Blue Devils/ XC Kaskaskia team



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

None

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

Alex currently works four jobs. He is a custodian with Germantown Elementary, he works at Turf as a dishwasher and cook, he cleans hotel rooms at the Eagle Inn, and he also takes care of the lanes at Bartelso Bowl.

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

Yes, he's at Kaskaskia College studying Cyber Defense and Cisco Engineering.

