



2016-2017 Unified Sports Coach of the Year Nomination Form (Includes all AIA Coaches of AIA member schools)

The following is the nomination form for the **2016-2017 Unified Sports Coach of the Year**. This award is given annually to an outstanding Unified Sports coach who has made a significant impact and demonstrated exceptional commitment to both his/her athletes and unified partners and the Unified Sports Movement. He or she also has high expectations for his/her athletes, unified partners, and himself/herself to reach their maximum potential.

The award recipient will be featured and presented with an award during the **2017 AIA Champions Luncheon** held on **May 15, 2017** at the **University of Phoenix Stadium**.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to recognize an exceptional Unified Sports Coach from your school while bringing awareness to the Unified Sports Movement by nominating an individual who meets the following criteria:

1. Must be an active, certified Unified Sports Coach
2. Must have coached during at least one Unified Sport during the 2016-2017 season.
3. Provides other opportunities for unified athletes and partners with the purpose of improving their health, fitness, well-being, and integration within the community.
4. Exhibits sportsmanship qualities.
5. Has made a significant impact to his or her unified athletes and partners, school's Unified Sports program and the Unified Movement.

Note: Past recipients of the Unified Sports Coach of the Year Award are not eligible for nomination until two years after receiving the award.

NOMINATION FORM DEADLINE: Friday, March 24, 2017

Instructions:

1. Fill out all requested information in this form.



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2. **Save** the form to your desktop (if word document... file, save as, etc).
3. **Save** a headshot photo of the nominee **labeled as their name in JPG format** to be used for PR purposes
4. **Email** nomination form **AND a recent headshot photograph** in JPG format of the nominee **by Friday, March 24, 2017** to: **Laura@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org**
Subject: 2017 AIA Unified Sports Coach Award



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Coach's Name			
Coach's Email			
Home Address			
City	State	Zip	
Current Position			
Total Years Sports Experience		Total Years Coaching Sports	
Total Years Unified Sports Experience		Total Years Coaching Unified Sports	
Home Phone		School Phone	
School		Conference	UNIFIED SPORTS
Athletic Director		Principal	
Name of Nominator:		Title	
Email Address:		Phone:	

Coaching History

Year(s)	School/Organization(s)	Sport(s)



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NOMINEE'S QUALITIES: Identify and describe the nominee's leadership qualities.

NOMINEE'S IMPACT: Describe the nominee's impact on his/her athletes and unified partners, the school's Unified Sports program & the Unified Movement:



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NOMINEE RECOGNITION: Please list and describe any other special awards or honors received:

NARRATIVE:

Please share with us why you feel this person is deserving of being the 2017 AIA Unified Sports Coach of the Year. Explain how the nominee has implemented **Sportsmanship and the Code of Ethics** at their school. Provide examples of what the coach has done to assist unified athletes and unified partners reach their capabilities concerning —

- Training opportunities;
- Additional competition opportunities provided to athletes and unified partners;
- Other opportunities provided to athletes and unified partners that have improved their health, fitness, well-being and integration with the community:



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All nominations **MUST** include a headshot photo of the nominee in JPG format (to be used for PR purposes) with submitted application materials.



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