Unified Track & Field Timeline
2019-20 Season

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2020 (2-3 Months Prior to Unified Sectionals)

Coaches Clearance / Training

☐ Complete all AIA requirements for Coaches’ Clearance per Article 17 of the AIA Bylaws & Constitution.
  ☐ For an outline of all training and certification requirements specific to high school Unified Sports coaches, please visit: www.aiaonline.org/sports/unified

☐ Complete all district/school requirements for Coaches Clearance per district policy

☐ Complete Unified Track and Field Coaches’ Training (specific to high schools)
  ☐ Contact Katie DeVenuto at Katie@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org to schedule a training

Order Equipment

☐ Suggested equipment includes:
  ☐ Tape Measure (suggested: 2 dual-sided with m/cm and ft/in)
  ☐ Relay Batons (suggested: 4)
  ☐ 8-pound Shot (suggested: 2)
  ☐ 400g Turbo Javelin (suggested: 2-3)
  ☐ Stopwatches (suggested: 6)
  ☐ Cones (suggested: 25)

Attend/Organize Planning Meetings

☐ Attend MANDATORY Coaches’ Webinar (only need to attend one)
  ☐ Thursday, February 27th – 4:00pm to 5:00pm
  ☐ Saturday, February 29th – 9:00am to 10:00am

☐ Host Parent Informational Meeting

Verify ALL Student Eligibility and Clearance Requirements are completed

Athletes & Unified Partners must complete:

☐ AIA Annual Pre-participation Clearance Packet
  ☐ Part One – Annual Preparticipation Physical Evaluation (Form 15.7-A).
  ☐ Part Two – Annual Preparticipation Physical Examination (Form 15.7-B).
  ☐ Part Three – Annual Preparticipation Acknowledgement (Form 15.7-C).
  ☐ Part Four – Annual Preparticipation Consent to Treat Form (Form 15.7-D).
  ☐ Part Five – Unified Sports Participant Release (Form 15.7-E).

☐ All district/school requirements for Student Eligibility and Clearance per district policy

Complete Practice Schedule

Per Article 34.4 of the AIA Bylaws & Constitution: “Prior to participation in an interscholastic contest or tournament, all Unified Sports players must complete a minimum of eight (8) practices at least sixty (60) minutes in duration. Practices shall be held at least once a week throughout the duration of the sports season.”

☐ Schedule practices accordingly to ensure minimum practice requirements are met prior to first regular season (interscholastic) Track & Field meet
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FEBRUARY 2020 (2 Months Prior to Unified Sectionals)

Practice
- Practice 1
- Practice 2
- Practice 3
- Practice 4
- Practice 5
- Practice 6
- Practice 7
- Practice 8

Regular Season Interscholastic Competition
- Compete in a minimum of two (2) Track and Field Meets during the regular season
  - Regular Season Meet #1 Date: _____ Time: _______ Location: ______________
  - Regular Season Meet #2 Date: _____ Time: _______ Location: ______________

Transportation Requests
- Submit transportation requests for regular season meets (must attend a minimum of two)

MARCH 2020 (1 Month Prior to Unified Sectionals)

Unified Sectionals Registration
- Complete and submit Unified Sectionals Registration Paperwork
  - SOAZ will send out registration paperwork during early March
  - Registration paperwork will be due two weeks prior to Unified Sectionals

Transportation Requests
- Submit transportation request for Unified Sectionals Meet

Practices
- Continue holding regular practice

APRIL 2020

Unified Track and Field Sectionals
- Compete at a qualifying Unified Track and Field Sectionals
  - Teams must compete in Unified Sectionals to qualify for the state tournament

State Championship Registration / Planning
- Qualification Results will be posted on AZPreps365 by April 20, 2020
  - The top 15 teams statewide will qualify for advancement to the State Championship (qualification will be based on team’s final score at Unified Sectionals)
- Complete State Championship Registration
  - Due April 29, 2020
- Submit transportation request for State Championship

MAY 2020

AIA State Track and Field Championship
- Friday, May 8, 2019
- Mesa Community College – Mesa, AZ