



## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q How can I enroll in your program?**

A Complete After School or Afterwork application. Applications can be found online at [www.savannahga.gov/therapeuticapplication](http://www.savannahga.gov/therapeuticapplication), or you may request to receive your application via email or complete it in person at John S. Delaware Center at 1815 Lincoln St. (35<sup>th</sup> and Lincoln).

**Q How old must I be to participate in the Therapeutic program?**

A Youth must be in the 3rd grade or 9years old to participate in the after-school program. Adults must be 22 years old or older to participate in the Afterwork program.

**Q Do I have to apply each quarter or session?**

A Yes, you must reapply each quarter for the new session. No one is guaranteed a spot because they were in the program before. Applications must be submitted on or before the deadline. Applications must be filled out clearly and completely, or you will be placed on the waiting list.

**Q What kind of activities do you provide, and where are they held?**

A We provide activities to go with the season.

- Athletic activities include - bowling, softball with softball skills, basketball with basketball skills, bocce, volleyball, swimming, tennis, and kickball.
- Social and cultural activities include - activities with Telfair Museum and Cultural Resources, painting, arts & crafts, bingo, trivia, summer camp, and dance.
- We hold a Spring Fling Fun Field Day as well as a Holiday Dinner & Dance.
- Participants can participate in the Special Olympics.
- We work on developing social and cognitive skills.
- Depending on the season, we use Paulsen & Minick Softball complex, Chatham County Aquatic Center, AMF (Victory) Bowling Lanes, Lake Mayer, the Savannah Civic Center, and other parks and playgrounds.

**Q Where will I pick my child up after daily activities?**

A A designated location will be assigned on the confirmation letter once your child has been accepted into the program. Participants must be picked up on time or dropped from the program after two late pick-ups.

**Q What medical forms do I need to provide?**

A We do not require medical documentation to verify a challenging condition. However, Special Olympics requires a physical (one a year) and a registration form (one time) for the Special Olympics participation.

**Q What are the hours of operation?**

A Youth programming is from 3 pm – 6 pm. Adult afterwork programming is from 3:30 pm – 6 pm. However, program times and locations are subject to change each quarter/session.

**Q Can therapeutics program participants also participate in the Special Olympic Events?**

A Yes, both youth and adults have the opportunity to participate in the Special Olympics State competition three (3) times a year. We choose Special Olympics athletes from our classes who meet specific criteria.

**Q How will a participant get to the program?**

A Youth participants enrolled in school (within Savannah city limits) may be transported from school to the program site by a city vehicle. Parents or guardians must contact the school to authorize the release of their child to us. Transportation is limited; therefore, the minimum pick-up is two students per school. Therapeutic Staff can pick up adult participants from the EmployAbility Center; a large percentage of the participants work there and participate in the program. However, we will explore more options at other worksites if enough participants are picked up within the city limits. Parents/Guardians/caregivers may also transport participants to and from our programs.