



# **STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET**

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**SCHOOL:** Parsippany Hills High School  
**ACTIVITY:** Winter Olympics  
**DATE(S):** January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
**CATEGORY:** Community Service  
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**PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THIS PROJECT:**

In honor of the Winter Special Olympics the student council takes the trip down there and volunteers to help out. They are each paired up with a competitor and help them out for the day. It is an extremely rewarding event and great to help out with the community.

**DESCRIBE THE PLANNING & EXECUTION OF THIS PROJECT:**

One month prior all travel, sign-ups, research, and contacting the special olympics is done. Two weeks prior there is a meeting with all of the students and teachers who signed up to go over their plan and duties. That day everyone gets on a bus and goes to register and help out with the special olympics.

**DESCRIBE THE BENEFIT OF THIS PROJECT BENEFIT TO SCHOOL AND/OR COMMUNITY:**

This project is beneficial because the students who attended were very moved by the athletes and their talents. They gained a new appreciation and understand of these competitors. Additionally, the volunteers brought back their experiences to the school and it was evident that they were inspired by the trip and it was a one of a kind experience.

**EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS PROJECT, REFLECTING ON ANY POSSIBLE CHANGES YOU MIGHT CONSIDER:**

This project was intended to help students contribute to their community and it was very successful in this. Each students' life was changed in great ways and it felt great just to serve these amazing people. One improvement is that there can never be too many volunteers so having more would be great.