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Title: Hopatcong Middle School Teacher Volunteers at Special Olympics – 14th Season Volunteer

Cynthia Randina, Hopatcong Superintendent of Schools, Announces-

The Special Olympics of New Jersey Alpine skiing events were held at Mountain Creek ski resort on February 2nd & 3rd 2016. Mentally and physically challenged athletes from all over New Jersey came together for two days of competition skiing and fun. Dozens of volunteers are necessary to support the staff at Special Olympics New Jersey to deliver these events to these wonderful athletes. Even though the rainy weather was difficult on Wednesday morning, athletes and volunteers alike kept their smiles on and a great time was had by all.

Hopatcong Middle school social studies teacher, Eric Strand, volunteered for his 14 season with Special Olympics. "It is always wonderful to see these athletes perform at the highest level of their capability" said Strand. "I'm already looking forward to next year." In addition to his social studies responsibilities, Strand is also the Middle School Ski & Snowboard Club advisor and tries to impress upon the students that they should be a part of helping others in a society.

Anyone interested in volunteering for next year's winter games should go to WWW.SONJ.org for further information.

