



# 2026 FIRE TRUCK PULL CHALLENGE

in partnership with the Marion Fire Department  
to benefit Special Olympics Indiana - Grant County



**Saturday, September 26, 2026 at Ballard Field in Marion, IN**

## THE EVENT

A one-day event with teams competing to pull a fully loaded fire truck. It's the ultimate tug-of-war challenge and a great team building event. Free admission.

## THE CAUSE

All proceeds from the event go to support Special Olympics Indiana—Grant County, allowing athletes with intellectual disabilities to train and compete at a local and state level in Olympic-type sports.

## THE TEAMS

Each team will consist of a maximum of 10 people. All participants must sign a waiver of liability. Each team fundraises/donates at least \$500 to compete. Each team can raise money through hosting fundraisers, individual pledges, corporate or union sponsorships. Prizes are given for the top fundraising team and individual.

## THE FASTEST PULL

Team members will line up on the rope attached to the fire truck. The official starter will signal when to start the pull. After the team pulls the fire engine 50 feet, or five (5) minutes has elapsed, the stopwatch will stop. Elapsed time will be recorded as the team score. The team that completes this task in the least amount of time wins the "Fastest Team Pull" award. Each team will receive three (3) attempts.

## THE LOWEST COMBINED WEIGHT PULL

See how many teammates it takes to pull the fire truck! Start with one or two. Continue to add teammates until your team pulls the fire truck the distance 50 feet, you've only got five minutes. At the end of your pull, the weight of all teammates pulling the truck will be added together. Each team receives one (1) attempt. The team pulling the fire truck with the least amount of combined weight will claim the "Lowest Combined Weight Pull" award. Times are recorded in case of a tie.

## THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The Sizzlin Snacks (Concessions) Opens  
10:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Fire Truck Team Pull Registration  
1:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Team Captain Meeting  
1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Opening Ceremonies  
1:45 p.m. - The Pull w/ Awards Immediately Following

## THE PRIZES

Fastest Pull Time 1st, 2nd & 3rd  
Lowest Combined Weight Pull  
Top Team Fundraiser

## THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

To register yourself and your team for the Fire Truck Pull, complete the "Team Registration Form". Please have each individual that is participating complete an "Individual Registration/Pledge Form" and sign the release and waiver of liability form. Register your team before September 1st. Registration must include the minimum \$500 team registration fee. Additional funds collected can be turned in on the day of the event. Otherwise, team registrations are due by 12pm. on the day of the event.

## Completed registration forms, signed waivers and pledges/registration fee can be mailed to:

Special Olympics Indiana - Grant County  
PO Box 1093  
Marion, IN 46953

## Please make checks payable to:

Special Olympics Indiana - Grant County

Remember registration and fee must be received by September 1st. Please give USPS plenty of time to deliver by the deadline.

## THE SIZZLIN SNACKS

Be sure to visit our concession stand and enjoy some delicious food and/or a cold drink while you watch the ultimate tug-of-war.

## THE SOUVENIRS

Visit the souvenir tent to get the coolest Fire Truck Pull gear.

## MORE INFORMATION

Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/grantcounty.specialolympics> or contact:

Jessica Fortney- County Coordinator

**765-618-7487**

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**765-243-2479**



## RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY, AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT")

In consideration of participating in the **Special Olympics Indiana – Grant County** Fire Truck Pull Challenge, I represent that I understand the nature of the event and that I and/or my minor child am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I acknowledge that if I and/or my minor child believe event conditions are unsafe, I and/or my minor child will immediately discontinue participation in the activity.

I fully understand that the **Special Olympics Indiana – Grant County** Fire Truck Pull Challenge event involves risks of serious bodily injury, including viral infections, bacterial infections and other communicable diseases and illnesses, permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the event, the conditions in which the event takes place, or the negligence of the "releasees" named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I and/or my minor child incur as a result of my and/or my minor child's participation in the Activity.

I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue Special Olympics Inc., **Special Olympics Indiana, Special Olympics Indiana-Grant County, Marion Fire Department, City of Marion**, its respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "releasees" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release, waiver of liability, and assumption of risk I, or anyone on my and/or my minor child's behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I also grant Special Olympics Indiana permission to use my likeness, image, voice and words on television, radio, film, or in any form to promote activities of Special Olympics Indiana.

I have read this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

Printed Name of Participant \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Participant (Only if age 18 or over) \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
(If participant under age 18)

Date \_\_\_\_\_