



43rd Anniversary Deaf Youth Sports Festival

“Making Deaf Olympians!”

July 13-19, 2025

MDO INFORMATION FOR PARENTS / GUARDIANS

Emergency Contacts – MDO is at Iowa Deaf School, 3501 Harry Langdon Blvd, Council Bluffs, IA 51503

- Before MDO email teammdo@gmail.com
- During MDO call 317-493-0537 VP, text 317-446-8095/317-531-2547, or email teammdo@gmail.com (email checked several times daily)

Parking – Plenty of free parking on school grounds

- Speed limit (5 mph) STRICTLY enforced. ***MDO accepts NO responsibility for tickets on school grounds

Attendance

- Please make arrangements for your child to participate during the entire week
- Participants may not leave without Director’s permission
- During MDO parents are not permitted in participant dorms in order for children to gain confidence and realize their potential for growth emotionally and socially
- Participants should be mature enough to function in a dorm setting overnight

Dress Code

- Participants are required to wear sneakers (gym shoes) and team color jersey for identification
- Modest sports clothes acceptable (shorts, sweat pants)
- Girls **MUST** have one-piece bathing suit
- Unacceptable – bare midriff, short shorts, sagging pants/shorts, inappropriate words/pictures
- Not sure? **DON’T** bring them
- Full policy at www.mdoyouth.org
- **NO JEWELRY** of ANY kind may be worn **during competitions. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

NO Electronic Devices – of ANY kind

- MDO accepts NO responsibility for any personal property brought to MDO
- Devices brought to MDO will be held in office safe until AFTER Closing Ceremony

What to Bring / NOT Bring – see separate sheet (also on website)

Fees / Fundraising / Scholarships – send email to teammdo@gmail.com for information

REGISTRATION – Sunday, July 13, 2025 at 2:00 pm.

- Bring luggage and belongings to registration
- **After** dropping off Participants and their luggage in dorm
 - **Participants** go with Coach to prepare for Opening Ceremony
 - **Parents** go to VIP Reception to wait for Opening Ceremony
- **REGISTRATION CLOSED** at 3:00 pm – late arrivals register **after** Opening Ceremony

Opening Ceremony – begins 3:30 pm – FOLLOW SIGNS – Parents, families, friends welcome

- **AFTER** Opening Ceremony
 - **Participants** have dinner with their teams
 - **Parents** leave after question / answer session

Banquet and Dance – Theme ‘Wicked’.

- Free to Participants and Volunteers
- Parents, families, friends, community pre-purchase tickets at Headquarters – \$50 per person
- Outfit for Banquet/Dance - Theme ‘Wicked’ – your favorite character

Closing Ceremony – Saturday, July 19, 2025 9am-10am

FOLLOW SIGNS.

- Parents, families, friends welcome
- **AFTER** Closing Ceremony
 - Check-out with Coaches.
 - Collect all luggage and medicines

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!

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