# Unified Generation Video Discussion: Instructor's Guide

Accompanying videos presented by Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®

#### BACKGROUND

The videos in this collection are designed to help school communities learn more about Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools while thinking about those with different abilities and how society can be more genuinely inclusive. The videos encourage students, employees, and clubs to meaningfully include with those with intellectual disabilities in their community, get involved with Special Olympics Unified Sports®, and to support triumphs on and off the field.

## **GUIDE STRUCTURE**

- 1. <u>Think:</u> Before the video, ask the audience to think about the given question while watching. This question encourages viewers to think about an essential learning point in the given video.
- 2. <u>Small Group Discussion Questions</u>: After the video, have the audience get into small groups to discuss these questions. These questions highlight the target themes of the video and are meant to provoke discussion in a small group where everyone can share their thoughts.
- 3. <u>Reflection Questions:</u> Have the audience share their thoughts on the discussion questions above and any other reactions or comments on the video. After a conversation, ask these more general questions.
- 4. <u>A Step Further:</u> Incorporate this question into the large group discussion after addressing the general questions. This is a question that encourages the audience to think about how the themes of UCS extend beyond a school environment.
- 5. <u>Extension Activities:</u> These are suggested actions for students that often reference resources available from Special Olympics and Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools.

### **RESOURCES FOR EDUCATORS**

Specific resources are listed for each video. Below are some general resources for Grade 9-12 educators. Click on each resource to be directed to it:

<u>High School Playbook</u>

Starting Special Olympics Unified Sports®

Tips for Shared Learning Among Youth and Adults

Unified Champion Schools Language Guide

Starting a Unified Club

Tips for a Meaningful Mentorship

UCS Resources for Educators

## **EXTENSION ACTIVITIES FOR EDUCATORS**

Looking for more inspirational videos to feature in your classroom? Check out <u>ESPN's 50 Game Changers</u> and The Moment Series (www.generationunified.org) which features stories of inclusion.

If your school is not currently a Unified Champion School, please reach out to usschools@specialolympics.org for more information about how to get involved.

Engage in the <u>Spread the Word</u> movement and talk about the power of changing language in your classroom both with the r-word and person first language