

Joint Training on Judo for Deaf and Ordinary Children

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Inclusive sports, when deaf or children with other special needs and ordinary children have joint training – at the same time and place together – are not common thing in Ukraine. The reasons are :

lack of qualified trainers who can combine the ordinary children and children with special needs training

a considerable distance from the children with special educational needs places study to the places of joint training

lack of methodological basis for such joint training and lack motivation for coaches, parents and support staff

Step #1 –how we have found money

Joint training deaf and ordinary children at outdated gym (by Pavlo Dorogoy)



Famous Kharkiv photographer Pavlo Dorogoy took a free photos series from joint trainings on the Special School #5 basis in an outdated gym. Than this photos was used in the promotions and the German charity fund provided funds for the purchase of tatami and special uniform judogi for deaf children.

Step #2 –KATA as base of joint training



Training on KATA deaf and ordinary partners

KATA are pre-arranged patterns of techniques and in judo, they are all practised with a partner.

Using of KATA as base for joint training allows you:

- 1) give children good physical condition without significant injuries;
- 2) make mix pairs from deaf and ordinary children – they know what to do and don't need speaking and listening for training;
- 3) to expose mixed pairs at competitions of different levels without indicating that one of the partners is deaf.

Results

1 full integration of deaf children from Kharkiv Special School #5 to society of ordinary children. Ordinary children often invite deaf children to different parties; they walk in parks together with parents; visited cinema;

2 socialization of deaf children – the are not afraid to communicate not only with ordinary children, but also with adults in different places and situations

3 children stop afraid jump and rolls after two years judo training. Deaf children afraid to lost tactile connection with ground (floor) – it's because of some dysfunction of their vestibular apparatus.

2021 summer judo camp at the Azov seaside also was both for deaf and ordinary children without parents



Celebration the last day at joint summer judo camp

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