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Fourth Annual Jr. Olympics
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LIFESPAN is a mission driven, non-profit organization that has been operating programs for children and adults with developmental disabilities for thirty-seven years in North Carolina. LIFESPAN's mission is to *transform the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities by providing education, employment, and enrichment opportunities that promote inclusion, choice, family supports, and other best practices.*

Located in the Burlington Community, this Five Star rated school offers quality programming supporting children with development disabilities as well as children who are typically developing in an inclusive environment. Learning side by side provides an opportunity to experience our belief that "difference does not mean deficit".

The Jr. Olympics is held each year allowing the children enrolled at the school to participate in competitive physical activities and take pride in being a "winner". The event begins at 8:30 am with a parade of the athletes and concludes with an awards ceremony. This year's games will be structured more in line with the Young Athletes Program thanks to a new partnership with both the Alamance & Graham Parks and Recreation offices. This program focuses on the basics that are crucial to cognitive development: physical activities that develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination, and the application of these physical skills through sports skills programs.

There is great community support for this special day as shown by the attendance of several area Mayors as well as the Burlington Police and Fire departments.

For more information about this event or to volunteer during the games, please call Lynn Crabtree, Program Director at 336.513.4250 or Michelle C. Davis, Director of Development at 336.601.3917.

We invite you to help us showcase this outstanding program located in our Community!

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