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On September 24, Minister of Education Mikayil Jabbarov met with Azerbaijani athletes – graduates of sport schools of the Ministry of Education – who succeeded at Rio 2016 Summer Olympic Games.

Mikayil Jabbarov congratulated the Olympians, and said Rio 2016 Summer Olympic Games were a success for the Azerbaijani team. At Rio 2016, Azerbaijan claimed a total of 18 medals, including one gold, 7 silvers and 10 bronzes. At the Rio Paralympic Games in Rio, Azerbaijan grabbed 1 gold, 8 silver and 2 bronze medals.

The minister said three of Azerbaijani Olympians who won medals in Rio are graduates of children's and youth sports schools of the Ministry of Education. Mikayil Jabbarov said more than 3,000 schools have been built in Azerbaijan in the past 13 years, with an emphasis on the effective use of sports infrastructure in these schools.

Silver and bronze medal winners of Rio 2016 Summer Olympic Games, graduate of Ganja branch of Tahsil Sport Complex Togrul Aşgarov, graduate of Absheron District Children's and Youth Sport School of the Ministry of Education Haji Aliyev, winner of Rio 2016 Paralympic Games, graduate of Ganja city Children's and Youth Sport School No 1 Ramil Gasimov thanked the minister for the invitation. They said they will continue doing their utmost to make greater accomplishments.

Mikayil Jabbarov presented the athletes with certificates of appreciation and gifts.