

Information Package StarSkate & Competitive Skaters

Winter Session: October 9, 2019 - March 28, 2020

Dear Skaters and Parents:

Welcome to the winter skating program at Preston Figure Skating Club (PFSC). The winter program starts on Wednesday October 9, 2019. This year families can register their skater using our on-line registration or hard copy forms. This information package contains the following information about the winter program:

1. Winter School information (on-line and hard copy option)
2. Gala Information
3. Volunteer Sign Up Request
4. Winter school overall schedule
5. Credit Card Authorization payment plan

Please read all information carefully and be aware of the different due dates! To receive your requested session and your lessons during that time, please make sure forms are submitted by the deadline date. This will be on a first come first served basis.

Skater Commitment

- We request that all skaters skate a minimum of 50% of their ice time with PFSC.
- Skaters are required to skate a minimum of 1 day to become a PFSC home club member.
- Skaters are to register for the Gala at the time of registration for the winter program. These fees are included as part of the winter ice application form.

Schedule and Cancellation Details

- Our winter school program will be running from October 9, 2019 to March 11, 2020.
- Gala practice will be forwarded closer to the date.
- For Ticket Ice Information please view the City of Cambridge website.
- For skaters to make up any sessions, please contact the PFSC in written form (via email) to receive permission within 30 days of the skater missing. Skaters are allowed to make up a maximum of 5 skating days. Missed sessions cannot be transferred to any other school.

Application and Fee Details

- To minimize confusion, all payments for Ice and Lessons will be made to the Champions Training Centre (CTC). Please make sure you indicate what the payment is for and forward your application to the CTC office.

- On your winter ice forms, the instruction for on-ice technique, fitness classes, flexibility class instruction, off ice classes and lift classes are not included in the fees. These fees are added to the CTC winter lesson agreement. Private lessons are also billed separately.
- WINTER SCHOOL FORMS ARE DUE September 12, 2019.
- Forms will be on a first come/first serve basis. Register early as some sessions fill quickly.

Payment Details

- \$25.00 for all NSF cheques, plus 2% interest per month on outstanding balances.
- Please submit post-dated payments or credit card authorization along with the application form to receive the discounted fees.
- Payments may be divided into 7 equal amounts (see application form for specific dates).
- Payments can be made in the form of cheques, cash, VISA or MASTERCARD. If credit cards are being used, please submit the credit card authorization form along with your application form.
- All forms must be submitted into the CTC office by September 12, 2019 to receive the discounted rate.
- Refund Policy for injury: A medical note is required. Refund/credit will be based on the number of registered weeks remaining. There will be a 10% administration fee. No other refunds!
- At the end of the winter season, any credit balances will be applied to the 2020-2021 winter season.

End of Year Gala

The gala will be held the weekend of March 28, 2020 – please plan to join in the fun! It's our 60th Anniversary! More information will be sent out about the gala closer to the date.

Fundraising

Preston Figure Skating Club holds several fundraising initiatives throughout the winter season. All proceeds from fundraising sales go towards the cost of the annual gala.

There will be a total of 5 fundraisers during this winter session:

- Little Caesar Fundraiser (fall program)
- MacMillans Gourmet Frozen Foods (November)
- "Christmas Shopping Fundraiser" Flip Give/FundScrip Fundraiser (November to January)
- Peppercakes (January to February)
- Dominos Fundraiser (March)

More information will be sent out to parents about each fundraiser closer to the date that they will be offered. Please consider supporting these fundraisers when you are buying gifts for Christmas, Valentine’s Day, birthdays, etc. Your support of the gala through these fundraisers is greatly appreciated!

Volunteer Options

In order to complete your registration please choose one of the following 3 options:

- 1) Volunteer a minimum of 4 hours per family. We require many volunteers to assist in various roles throughout the season. Families are encouraged to choose this option. There are many volunteer roles to choose from including the following:

Gala Volunteer opportunities:

Volunteer Services throughout the Season:

Marketing/publicity	Family Christmas Party
Ushering	Assist with organizing fundraisers
Ticket Sales	Assist with Team parties
Communications	Recreational Program
Programs	Office Assistance
Dressing Rooms	
Security	
Creating props	
Backstage during show	
Spotlight operator during show	
Costumes	
Set Up and Take Down	
Set Painting	

- 2) Volunteer to fundraise \$100 through one or more of the fundraising initiatives (see details under ‘fundraising’).
- 3) Volunteer opt out. If you are unable to volunteer you may opt out of volunteering and pay a fee of \$50 per person or \$75.00 per family. This fee will be added into your registration fee.

Cancellation dates due to area tournaments as of August 2019: (subject to change)

No skating November 9th, 2019 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight

No skating November 29 2019 @ Hespeler Arena morning. Made up: Thursday November 28, 2019 (same time)

No skating November 29th, 2019 @ Hespeler Arena afternoon session

No skating Friday January 3rd, 2020 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon session

No skating Saturday January 4th, 2020 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight

No skating Friday January 10th, 2020 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon sessions

No skating Saturday January 11th, 2020 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight

No skating Friday January 17th, 2020 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon sessions
No skating Saturday January 25th, 2020 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight

** January sessions made up on Thursday January 2nd, 9th, 16th, 2020

** We are in the process of arranging 2 sessions for the above missed regular Friday & Saturdays. As soon as confirmation of times and days have been confirmed, we will notify you*

Holidays:

Family Day: No skating Monday February 17th at all arenas

Christmas Holidays:

Last Day of Regular Sessions before the Christmas Holidays is Monday December 23, 2019
Regular Sessions resume Thursday January 2nd, 2020

Keeping you Informed

Preston Figure Skating Club will send out monthly newsletters throughout the winter session. Please take time to review the newsletter to keep informed of upcoming events, fundraisers, etc. If at any time you have questions or concerns please contact prestonfsc@live.com.

We are looking forward to a great season!

Preston Figure Skating Club