Information Package StarSkate & Competitive Skaters

Winter Session: October 10, 2018 - March 23, 2019

Dear Skaters and Parents:

Welcome to the winter skating program at Preston Figure Skating Club (PFSC). The winter program starts on Wednesday October 10, 2018. 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 10, 2018 to March 6, 2019.
- Gala practice will be forwarded closer to the date.
- Ticket Ice Cancellation list is located below. If any other cancellations take place, these too will be posted on the PFSC 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). <u>Please make sure you indicate what the payment is for and forward your application to the CTC office.</u>

- 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 15, 2018.
- Forms will be on a first come/first serve basis. Register early as some sessions fill quickly.
- Skaters competing at the Star 6-10/Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile level for the 2018/19 season, or working on Sr Bronze and higher tests, have priority on the Star 6-10 sessions. Star 1-5 skaters may register for these sessions, but will only be accepted if space allows and on director's approval.

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 15, 2018 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. <u>No</u> other refunds!
- At the end of the winter season, any credit balances will be applied to the 2019-2020 winter season.

End of Year Gala

The gala will be held the weekend of March 23, 2019 – please plan to join in the fun! 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 4 fundraisers during this winter session:

- Little Caesar Fundraiser (fall program)
- MacMillans Gourmet Frozen Foods (November/December)
- Flip Give Fundraiser (November to January)

• Pepperettes (January to 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 2018: (subject to change)

No skating November 10th, 2018 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight
No skating November 30, 2018 @ Hespeler Arena morning. Made up: Thursday November 29, 2018 (same time)
No skating Friday January 4th, 2019 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon session
No skating Saturday January 5th, 2019 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight
No skating Friday January 11th, 2019 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon sessions

No skating Saturday January 12th, 2019 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight No skating Friday January 18th, 2019 @ Hespeler Arena morning or afternoon sessions No skating Saturday January 19th, 2019 @ Preston Aud from 1pm to midnight

Holidays:

Family Day: No skating Monday February 18th at all arenas

Ticket Ice Cancellations as of August 2018: (TBC)

Mondays Oct 8, Feb 18, Mar 4
Tues/Thurs Dec 25, 27, Jan 1, 3, Mar 5

Wed/Fri Nov 14, 30, Dec 26, 28, Jan 4, 11, 18, Mar 6

The fee for Ticket ice is \$ 10.25 per hour.

Christmas Holidays:

Last Day of Regular Sessions before the Christmas Holidays is Saturday December 22, 2018 Regular Sessions resume Wednesday January 2nd, 2019

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

^{**} January sessions made up on Thursday January 3rd, 10th, 17, 2019

^{*}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