



Illinois High School Skating Competition Series Hosted by the Skating Council of Illinois

Sunday, December 21, 2025
Homewood-Flossmoor Ice Arena
700 Kedzie Avenue, Flossmoor
Team Maneuvers and Dance

Sunday, March, 15, 2026
Crystal Ice House
220 E. Prairie St., Crystal Lake
Team Maneuvers and Excel FS

Sunday, February 15, 2026
Oakton Ice Arena
2800 Oakton St, Park Ridge
Team Maneuvers

Sat/Sun, April 11-12, 2026
Robert Crown Ice Arena
1801 Main Street, Evanston
Team Maneuvers/Excel FS/Dance

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The Illinois High School Competition Series will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

II. ELIGIBILITY

Singles: Excel Events:

- Skaters must meet at least the minimum singles test requirements for the event's level. A skater's singles test level may be higher than the minimum requirement. Skate Up skaters may skate up one level higher than their minimum test requirement allows.
- Skaters may not register for an event level lower than allowed by their competitive floor. An athlete's competitive floor is set by one of the following scenarios:
 - o If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the NQS series, the event level registered for in the most recent NQS will become the lowest level they may compete at in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event.
 - o If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the Excel Series, the event level registered for in the most recent Excel series will become the lowest level they may compete in any Excel event. For Well-Balanced and Specialty events the skater will be permitted to register at one level lower than the "floor" set by their excel series entry.
 - o If an athlete has never had a paid EMS series application in the NQS or Excel series, the athlete may select their level based on their goals and technical skills as long as the minimum test requirements are met.
- Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel free skate and a Well-Balanced free skate event at the same competition (example: Juvenile Girls Free Skate and Juvenile Girls Excel Free Skate). However, they are permitted to enter an Excel and a Well-Balanced event of different types such as a short program (if stand-alone event option), specialty or showcase events (example: Intermediate Women Short Program and Intermediate Women Excel Free Skate).
- For more details about establishing event levels, refer to the information sheet [HERE](#) or email events@usfigureskating.org.

ELIGIBILITY & TEAM FORMATION

Athletes must be eligible members in good standing of U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate USA® and may be members of the figure skating club of their choice or be individual members of U.S. Figure Skating. All skaters participating in this competition must be part of a U.S. Figure Skating high school figure skating team. Teams must be currently registered with U.S. Figure Skating for the 2024-2025 competitive season. All skaters must be enrolled as a full-time student as defined by the institution that they attend, grades 9-12, as per state guidelines. This includes both traditional and homeschooled students. A minimum of two (2) skaters are required to form a team. Team members may include skaters of any gender. Skaters do not have to be at the same test level. Athletes may compete either for the high school they are attending, or as a high school collaborative, defined as follows: ● Athletes from a single school, representing that school, OR ● Athletes representing two or more area high schools combining to form a team. NOTE: Competitors may not represent more than ONE high school skating team at one time.

HIGH SCHOOL SKATING TEAM MEMBERSHIP

All High School Skating Teams participating in high school competitions must register with U.S. Figure Skating on the Members Only website. This will include creating a team roster to include all skaters on your team and paying the annual team dues of \$35. All teams must have at least one Team Manager who is 18 years or older, must have a current U.S. Figure Skating membership and be fully compliant. Team coaches are not required to form a team.

EVENTS OFFERED:

We encourage all competitions to promote and support all athletes, including skaters with disabilities through offering Adaptive events and levels (included in the table below). If you have any questions regarding Adaptive Skating, the levels offered, and/or accommodations for skaters, email events@usfigureskating.org.

- **U.S. Figure Skating Program Requirements:** usfigureskating.org --> Skate --> Compete --> Program Requirements
 - competition, email events@usfigureskating.org.
- **Skating Accommodation Memorandum (S.A.M.):** Skaters using a S.A.M. must submit their S.A.M. to the competition chair via email at mayfsc@aol.com.
 - [Click here for more information about S.A.Ms.](#)
 - If you have questions about on how to support skaters using S.A.Ms, email events@usfigureskating.org.

SINGLES	JUDGING	1st Event Price
Excel Free Skate	6.0	\$60
SOLO DANCE	JUDGING	1st Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance (not participating in series)	6.0	\$60
ADAPTIVE	JUDGING	1st Event Price
Special Olympics Badges 2 - 12	6.0	\$60
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program, Pairs & Dance	6.0	\$60
Skate United <i>*see statement above</i>	6.0	\$60
HIGH SCHOOL TEAM MANEUVERS	JUDGING	1st Event Price
Level A Team Maneuvers	6.0	\$130
Level B Team Maneuvers	6.0	\$130
Level C Team Maneuvers	6.0	\$130
Level D Team Maneuvers	6.0	\$130

OUR COMMUNITY:

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understand its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities

necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

NON-DISCRIMINATION:

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program receives, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (*GR 1.01*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 1.02*), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe or email SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org.

ATHLETE ASSISTANCE/ACCOMMODATIONS:

Should a skater with disabilities require any specific accommodations or assistance for their competitive event, please submit your approved S.A.M to the Competition Chair by the registration deadline at mayfsc@aol.com

COMPLIANCE:

For full details about participant compliance requirements, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe#compliance>.

Coaches:

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into two categories, Coach Compliance (includes choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found [in](#) Members Only, click the blue "COACH" button. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

Coaches of foreign athletes: If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for this competition will be on Entryeze – The registration deadline is listed under the individual events. Entries will be accepted via Entryeze by credit card only. All late registrations are at the discretion of the LOC and a \$50 late fee will apply.

To register go to www.entryeze.com. Then click on Illinois and look for the 4 competitions listed below. **You must register individually for each event.**

Illinois High School Skating Competitions – H-F (Registration closes 12-1-2025)

Illinois High School Skating Competitions – Oakton (Registration closes 1-15-2026)

Illinois High School Skating Competitions – Crystal Lake (Registration closes 2-15-2026)

Illinois High School Skating Competitions – Robert Crown (Registration closes 3-1-2026)

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

Competitors who are competing in Excel Freeskate or Solo Dance must upload their music in Entryeze prior to the closing date of the specific event. Additionally, we ask all skaters who have uploaded music to bring their own CD's on the day of the competition.

REGISTRATION EARLY CLOSING: Please note that the LOC reserves the right to close registration early due to ice availability.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists, or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Skating Council of Illinois, Homewood Flossmoor Ice Arena, Oakton Ice Arena, Crystal Lake Ice Arena and Robert Crown Ice Arena, accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

IV. COMPETITION DETAILS

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker rooms and changing areas will not be available this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces.

U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors who are at least 8 years of age or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe® Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the [SkateSafe® Handbook](#).

OFFICIAL UPDATES:

It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the website frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition.

www.skatingcouncilofillinois.org.

SCHEDULE

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available.

PRACTICE ICE:

Limited Practice ice will be available for each competition. Information on practice ice will be sent to team leaders prior to each competition. Practice ice will be \$15 for 20 minutes.

ONSITE CHECK-IN:

Check-in will open 30 minutes before the beginning of practice or competition. Check in will be in the lobby of each facility.

AWARDS:

Medals will be awarded 1st through 4th place and must be picked up at the registration desk before the end of each competition. We will award a 1st place trophy for the Team A, Team B, Team C and Team D Level teams at the conclusion of the 4th competition at Robert Crown. Scores will only be used for the Team Maneuvers events.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition website: www.skatingcouncilofillinois.org

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

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