

How to Start a Team

If you are interested in starting a team at your high school, please check out the [High School Figure Skating FAQ document](#) and the [Overview of High School Skating document](#).

In order to start a figure skating team at your high school, you must have at least **two skaters** on the team; skaters may combine from several different area high schools if there are not enough skaters at your school to form a team. Teams are encouraged to receive approval by school administrators, but not required.

They must register with U.S. Figure Skating in order to be eligible to compete in U.S. Figure Skating-sanctioned high school competitions. Instructions for how to create and register your team can be found [here](#).

There are currently 3 different models for forming a high school team. Refer to the image below for which model you think your team would fit into.

Different Models For Teams

Recommended

One Team at a Single High School

All skaters attend High School A



- ✓ *Ideal for a school that has many skaters in attendance*
- ✓ *Generally accepted by State Athletic Associations*

Collaborative/Combined (one team consisting of skaters from more schools)

All skaters at High School A combine with skaters at High School B

High School A

High School B



- ✓ *Ideal for schools in the area that have a lower number of skaters at a single school*
- ✓ *Generally accepted by State Athletic Association*