

2004-2005 Michigan High School Figure Skating Team Competition Series

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Dates & Locations:

See page three for competition dates and locations for each district.

Sanctioning:

Sanctioned by the US Figure Skating; hosted by the Detroit Metro Skating Council. Chief Referee: Laura Maki.

Closing Dates, Entry Fees and Admission:

New teams intending to participate must contact the competition chair by September 15, 2004.

Regular Season Team Competitions

Regular season team entry fees: \$225.00 per Level A Team, \$225.00 per Level B Team, \$105 per Level C Team

Team entry fees must be paid in full by November 1, 2004. A \$25 late fee will be assessed for all late entries.

Individual District Competition

\$65.00 for 1st individual event, \$30.00 for 2nd individual event (LIMIT OF TWO INDIVIDUAL EVENTS).

Individual entry fees must be paid in full by December 15, 2004. A \$25 late fee will be assessed for all late entries.

State Championship Competition No Entry Fee charge

Optional Invitational Competition See Entry Form for Entry Fees. Entry fees must be paid in full by February 15, 2005.

Make check or money order payable to Detroit Metro Skating Council. One check or money order is required per team (no cash and no individual skater checks). **A fee of \$30 will be charged for all returned checks.**

Mail entries to: Detroit Metro Skating Council, c/o Michelle Dittmer, 3012 Glenview, Royal Oak, MI 48073.

No admission will be charged during the regular season. Championship — Adults \$3, Students \$2, Children under 5 free.

Test Levels:

Skaters must compete at their registered US FIGURE SKATING or ISI test level or one level higher as of November 1, 2004.

US Figure Skating Freestyle or Moves-in-the-field Test and ISI Test Equivalents

Senior - ISI Freestyle 10	Intermediate - ISI Freestyle 7 & 8	Preliminary - ISI Freestyle 4, 5 & 6
Junior - ISI Freestyle 9 & 10	Juvenile - ISI Freestyle 6, 7 & 8	Pre-Preliminary - ISI Freestyle 3 & 4
Novice - ISI Freestyle 8 & 9	Pre-Juvenile - ISI Freestyle 5, 6 & 7	Beginner - ISI Freestyle 1 or 2

Team Scoring:

Teams will receive points for each event based on the number of teams competing with the first place team receiving the highest number of points and the last place team receiving one point. Points from each event at the three regular season team competitions will be totaled to determine the placement of teams for District awards and advancement to the State Championship. Points for each event will be totaled to determine awards for the State Championship. At the Individual District event and the State Championship, teams will receive points in the same manner based on the placement of skaters in each individual event. Points will be totaled for each team to determine the high point total awards.

Advancing to State Championship:

The top three teams from districts with 7 or more teams and the top two teams from districts with 6 or less teams for Level A and Level B will advance to the State Championship. **Level C teams do not advance to the State Championship.** The top two individuals from each event, from each district will advance to the State Championship. For individual events that require more than one flight, there will be a final round to determine the individuals who will advance to the State Championship. *If any of the qualifying teams/individuals from a district withdraws, the next highest ranked team/individual will advance to the championship.* **The following individual events will not qualify for the State Championship: Beginner Compulsory Moves, Pre-Preliminary Freeskating, Preliminary Solo Dance, Beginner/Pre-Preliminary Artistic.**

Awards:

Regular Season Team Events – First, Second and Third place medals will be awarded to the teams with the highest placement for each event for each level. Only skaters who participated in the event receive medals. Medals will be awarded to the skaters with the top three times in the Longest Element Event.

District Team Awards – At the conclusion of the final regular season team event, trophies will be awarded to the First, Second and Third place teams from each district for each level based on the accumulated point total from the three regular season events. First, Second and Third place District medals will be awarded to each member of these teams.

Individual District Events – First, Second and Third place District medals will be awarded to individuals with the highest placement for each event for each District. The team with the highest point total for each District will receive a team trophy.

Championship Event – Championship medals will be awarded for each team and individual event the same as the regular season events. Plaques will be awarded to the First, Second and Third place teams for each level based on the accumulated point total from the team events. First Second and Third place Championship medals will be awarded to each member of these teams. Plaques will be awarded to the First place individual for each event and the team with the highest individual point total. One of the team events will be randomly drawn and designated as the tiebreaker in the event of a team tie.

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Rules & Eligibility

1. The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules as stated in the 2004-2005 US Figure Skating Rulebook CR30.01 (D) under "Special Competitions." This announcement will take precedence if there is a conflict with the US Figure Skating Rulebook.
2. The team must be a US Figure Skating School Affiliated Club (SAC). The SAC application form can be downloaded from the US Figure Skating website at www.usfigureskating.org/content/schoolafil.pdf. The form should be completed and returned to US Figure Skating. Please submit a copy of the SAC application or SAC Certificate for proof of membership along with your application to competition chair.
3. A team will consist of at least three skaters from one high school.
4. Each team must have high school administrative or athletic department approval.
5. High schools may combine as per MHSAA rules. All combined teams must be listed on the team application form. If combined teams are **not** from the same school district, the following rules apply: An administrator from each school must sign the team entry form. All skaters from the combined schools must be allowed to skate on the team. Combined teams may have only one school with five or more skaters and a maximum of 15 total skaters. Combined teams not adhering to these guidelines will be disqualified. The competition committee reserves the right to limit the number of schools that may combine to form a team.
6. The competition committee will grant final approval of a team's membership.
7. All skaters who enter must be in at least 9th grade and be enrolled as a student in the high school as per MHSAA rules.
8. Home-schooled skaters may not participate on a high school team unless they attend that school and receive a transcript for a minimum of four courses per semester.
9. Home-schooled students may form a combined team under a home-school sponsor. (**new**)
10. All skaters must be registered with the US Figure Skating or ISI in order to qualify for competition entry and provide their membership number on attached forms.
11. Each team member must be a member in good standing with the US Figure Skating or ISI and their local member club.
12. A skater will not be allowed to participate unless they have a signed Skater Entry Form on file with the Registrar.
13. A skater may not accept prize money in any amount or merchandise having a value greater than \$25 for any skating competition.
14. Skaters who change schools mid-season may not continue with the prior school, but may skate on the team for the new school.
15. Males and females will skate on the same team.
16. Team or individual byes will not be granted for any competition including the State Championship as per MHSAA rules. Individual skaters must skate to be eligible for the Championship. If a skater is the only competitor at a given level, the skater must perform an exhibition to advance to the Championship. Except in the case of injury, a skater must have competed in at least one regular season team event in order to be eligible to skate in the team event at the State Championship.
17. The committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries, eliminate events due to insufficient entries, and combine or divide groups as necessary.
18. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the committee. A \$25 late fee will be assessed.
19. If a team does not have a skater capable of performing an element or eligible to perform an event, the team will receive no credit for that element or event.
20. If a team cannot participate at one of the district competitions, that team will receive no points for that competition.
21. Each participating team will need to provide a minimum of two volunteers and a food item for the individual and championship events.
22. All official communication to the teams will be conducted via email to the Team Contact/Advisor.

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Team Events

Level A

Spins	Jumps	Moves
<i>No Restrictions</i>	<i>No Restrictions</i>	<i>No Restrictions</i>
1) Comp 1 — Solo Sit (min 6 revs) Comp 2 — Bielman or Scratch (6 revs) Comp 3 — Camel (6 revs)	1) Comp 1 — Solo Dbl Flip or Dbl Toe Comp 2 — Solo Dbl Loop or Dbl Salchow Comp 3 — Solo Dbl Lutz or Dbl Toe	1) Spiral Sequence – Serpentine or Circular or combination of both (see description in SSR 3.01 D 5a)
2) Layback spin (minimum 6 revolutions)	2) Axel	2) Footwork Sequence – Pattern Free, using full ice surface (includes high level steps)
3) Flying Spin May include 1 change of position (minimum 6 revolutions)	3) Combination Jump – Double/Double or Triple/Double Jump	3) Spiral, Ina Bauer or Spread Eagle
4) Combination Spin – Must include 3 positions and at least 1 change of foot (minimum 5 revolutions per foot)	4) Split Jump sequence (3-4 jumps—positions optional)	4) Back Rocker/Choctaw Sequence (Novice pattern 4) or Junior Power Pulls (pattern 4) – 1 foot only

Level B

Spins	Jumps	Moves
<i>Juvenile Freestyle & Below</i>	<i>Juvenile Freestyle & Below</i>	<i>Intermediate Moves & Below</i>
1) Comp 1 — Camel (min 3 rev) Comp 2 — Layback or Attitude (4 revs) Comp 3 — Sit (min 4 revs)	1) Solo Single Jump – No Axels	1) Ina Bauer Back Spiral or Spread Eagle
2) Forward Scratch Spin (minimum 4 revolutions)	2) Any ½ Jump	2) Footwork Sequence – Circle or Straight Line (NO Serpentine) (includes 3 turns and Mohawks)
3) Back Spin – position optional (minimum 4 revolutions)	3) Combination Jump – Single / Single Jump	3) Forward Spiral
4) Combination Spin, 1 or 2 positions and 1 change of foot (minimum 3 revolutions per foot)	4) Split or Stag Jump	4) 5-step Mohawk Sequence (PreJuv pattern 6) – 1 side or Backward power 3-turns (Juvenile pattern 3)

Level C

Must Not have Passed Preliminary Moves or Preliminary Freestyle
1) Cross-overs (forward or back, one direction only)
2) Toe-loop Jump
3) ½ Jump
4) 2 Foot Spin
5) Forward Spiral

Longest Element (Levels A and B Regular Season Only)

Each team may enter up to two skaters per level. This event will not count toward the team point total, but the single longest time for each team will be used as a tie-breaker, if needed to determine the Team Event Winner. Level C skaters may participate with level B.		
	Level A	Level B
Team Event #1	Sit Spin	Sit Spin
Team Event #2	Ina Bauer	Spiral
Team Event #3	Flying Spin	Scratch Spin

Team Event Rules

- Depending on the make-up of the team, a team may enter one or more levels. If there are not at least two Level C teams in any one district, skaters will have the option to skate at Level C or move up to Level B.
- Skaters must compete at the appropriate level, or one level higher based on their US Figure Skating or ISI freestyle and moves-in-the-field test levels as of November 1, 2004 (ISI level equivalency on page one). Skaters may only compete in one level for Jumps/Spins and one level for Moves and must remain at the same level for the entire season, including the State Championship, even if the skater tests beyond the level requirements during the season. Level C skaters may not skate on Level A or B teams except for the Longest Element event. *Teams not adhering to the appropriate level restrictions will be disqualified for that event.*
- For Levels A and B, a skater may not perform more than two elements per event (Jumps/Spins/Moves) for a maximum of six elements, unless a team has fewer than 2 skaters on their official team roster.
- Only one skater per team may warm up each element.
- Teams will be required to submit a Team Event Roster at check-in at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each team competition. Once the roster has been turned in, no substitutions may be made.
- Each team will be allowed one retry per team per level (A, B, C) at Team Competitions. The second attempt has to be the exact same element as the first attempt by the same skater. The second attempt will count regardless of whether or not it was better than the first attempt. The coach would need to let the skater know in advance whether or not they should retry the element. The skater would signal for a retry immediately by raising their hand. The Referee would raise their hand in return in acknowledgement of the request for a retry.
- A skater may only participate in the Longest Element once per season, unless the team has fewer than 3 skaters on their official team roster.

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Individual Events

Music:

Cassette tapes or CDs, cued and ready, marked with skater's name, school, level and program length. Tapes or CDs must be turned in at registration. **Bring a back-up tape.**

Eligibility:

Skaters may not skate below their US Figure Skating or ISI test level as of November 1, 2004, but may skate up one level higher (ISI level equivalency on page one). The level a skater is entered for the Individual District Competition must be the same for the State Championship, if the skater advances, even if the skater tests beyond the level requirements during the season. Skaters may compete a maximum of two individual events, but are not allowed to compete two different levels in the same event category.

A skater may not participate in the Freeskating event at the Individual Competition if they participate in a Freeskating event at US Figure Skating Nationals or US Figure Skating Junior Nationals during the High School Season. A skater may not participate in the Freeskating, Dance, or Artistic events at the Individual Competition if they have participated in the same event at more than two competitions outside of the High School Program during the High School Season.

The following events will not qualify for the State Championship: Beginner Compulsory Moves, Pre-Preliminary Freeskating, Preliminary Solo Dance, Beginner-Pre-Preliminary Artistic.

FREESKATING EVENT

Program times include a range of times to allow skaters that wish to compete one level higher the flexibility to do so without having to use a different program for the High School Competitions.

Long Program	Time	Rules
Pre-Preliminary Limited	1 ½ minutes	Single jumps only. May not contain axels, double jumps.
Preliminary Limited	1 ½ minutes	May contain axels. May not contain double jumps.
Pre-Juvenile	1 ½ - 2 minutes	
Juvenile	2 – 2 ¼ minutes	
Intermediate	2 - 2 ½ minutes	
Novice	2 ½ - 3 min. Ladies 2 ½-3 ½ min. Men	
Junior/Senior	3-4 min. Ladies 3-4 ½ min. Men	
Novice/Junior/Senior Men	2 ½-4 ½ Men	

Deductions in freeskating programs are according to US Figure Skating rules. (SSR 4.20)

Program requirements not specified above will follow the US Figure Skating rulebook guidelines in SSR 4.00.

SOLO DANCE EVENT

If a skater has passed the first Dance at a level, they must skate at that level or one level higher.

Level	Dance	Rules
Preliminary	Canasta Tango	3 patterns
Pre-Bronze	Cha Cha	3 patterns
Bronze	Hickory Hoedown	3 patterns
Pre-Silver	Fox Trot	3 patterns
Silver	Tango	2 patterns
Pre-Gold	Kilian	4 patterns
Gold	Viennese Waltz	2 patterns

BEGINNER COMPULSORY EVENT

No Music. Program length – max 1:15 min. Elements may be put together in any order with connecting and stroking steps

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| 1) Salchow Jump |
| 2) Loop Jump or Toe-loop jump |
| 3) Waltz jump / toe-loop jump combination |
| 4) Forward scratch spin |
| 5) Spiral |

ARTISTIC SHOWCASE EVENT

Program may be a solo or duet. Programs are to be skated to music and should be designed to entertain and/or emotionally move the audience. Costumes are encouraged. Hand Held Props only - must stay with the skater for the entire performance - may not be placed or tossed on the ice.

Freestyle Level	Time	Rules
Beginner – Pre-Preliminary	1 ¼ min.	No Axels or double jumps.
Preliminary – Pre-Juvenile	1 ¼ min.	No Axels or double jumps.
Juvenile - Intermediate	1 ½ min.	No double jumps.
Novice - Senior	1 ½ min.	May include one double jump.

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Events are listed by district. Each high school will be assigned to one of five districts and must participate in the competitions designated for their district only. If possible, teams will be assigned districts closest to their high school location, but first priority will be given to teams hosting competitions. District 4's competition dates are not listed below and will be comprised of teams from the Upper Peninsula.

(Competition times will be sent to the Team Advisor as soon as possible.)

District 1 Team Events	
Event 1	Wednesday, December 8, 2004 Time: 4:45pm – 8:45pm Troy Sports Center Surface size 85x200
Event 2	Tuesday, January 11, 2005 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm John Lindell Ice Arena, Royal Oak Surface size 85x200
Event 3	Wednesday, February 2, 2005 Time: 4:15pm – 8:15pm Detroit Skating Club, Bloomfield Hills Surface Size 85x200

District 3 Team Events	
Event 1	Saturday, December 11, 2004 Time: 11:00am – 3:00pm Plymouth Cultural Center Surface size 85x200
Event 2	Wednesday, January 12, 2005 Time: 4:00pm - 8:00pm Farmington Hills Ice Arena Surface Size 85x200
Event 3	Saturday, February 12, 2005 Time: 4:00pm-8:00pm Taylor Sportsplex Surface size 85x200

District 2 Team Events	
Event 1	Thursday, December 9, 2004 Time: 3:50pm - 7:40pm Kennedy Ice Arena, Trenton Surface Size 85x200
Event 2	Thursday, January 13, 2005 Time: 6:00pm - 10:00pm Dearborn Ice Skating Center Surface Size 85x200
Event 3	Tuesday, March 1, 2005 Time: 4:00pm - 8:00pm Southgate Arena Surface size 85x200

District 5 Team Events	
Event 1	Sunday, December 12, 2004 Time: 11:30am - 3:30pm Midland Civic Arena Surface Size 85x200
Event 2	Sunday, February 6, 2005 Time: After Edith Schoenrock Comp. McMorran Place, Port Huron Surface size 85x200
Event 3	Saturday, March 5, 2005 Time: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Twin Star Ice Arena, Kalamazoo Surface size 85x200

Individual District Event

(Districts 1,2,3 and 5)
Saturday, January 22, 2005
Time: 8:00am - 6:00pm
Novi Ice Arena
Surface size 85x200

Championship Event

(Team and Individual)
Saturday, March 19, 2005
8:00am – 6:00pm
Detroit Skating Club, Bloomfield Hills
Surface size 85x200 and 100x200

Invitational Team Event
Sunday, March 13, 2005
Time: Immediately following Garden City Competition
Garden City Civic Arena
Surface size 85x200

Separate Announcement and Entry Form to Follow