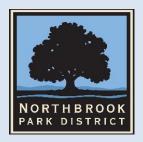


December 13-14, 2025

Entry Deadline: Saturday, November 22
Register online through EntryEeze

Northbrook Sports Center

1730 Pfingsten Road, Northbrook, IL For more information, call 847-291-2993









Dear Coaches, Parents, and Skaters,

The Northbrook Park District is excited to present the third annual *Compete USA Competition*. The **2025**Northbrook Winter Welcome will take place on December 13-14 at the Northbrook Sports Center.

We are excited to offer a competition with a fun winter theme that includes a hot chocolate bar to warm-up chilly skaters. We hope that many skaters are ready to show their new competitive programs while cheering on fellow skaters in a range of events. Events are offered to all ages from Snowplow Sam through Preliminary. Enclosed is an informational packet with everything you need to know about registration, compulsory skills, and event descriptions. Applications and payment are due by November 22.

This Compete USA Competition is approved by the USFS and conducted in accordance with the USFS rulebook. The 2025 Winter Welcome will follow the **Learn to Skate Program Requirements** listed on the **CompeteUSA - Learn to Skate USA** website.

If you have any questions, call the Sports Center Office at 847-291-2993 and our staff will be happy to help you. We look forward to having you participate in the **2025 Northbrook Winter Welcome.**

Sincerely,

Ania Lopez Northbrook Park District 847-291-2993 NBWinterWelcome@gmail.com



ELIGIBILITY RULES

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either Learn to Skate USA and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Learn to Skate USA Program/Club or any other Learn to Skate USA Program/Club.

ELIGIBILITY AND TEST REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All Snowplow Sam and Basic 1-6 skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

For the Aspire 1-4, Excel, Well Balanced, Showcase, and Aspire Synchro eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition.

Please verify the required elements on the CompeteUSA - Learn to Skate USA website.

ENTRIES AND FEES

Registration will be available online through EntryEeze. Registration must be completed by 11:59pm on Saturday, November 22. The initial event is \$85 and each additional event is \$25. Should any entries be accepted after the deadline, there will be a \$20 late fee. Entry fees are nonrefundable after the closing date. All events will use the 6.0 judging system.

AWARDS

Everyone will receive an award once each event is completed and results are posted. Medals will be awarded for all placements.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The schedule will be available approximately 1 week prior to the competition. It will be posted online at www.nbparks.org and on EntryEeze.



EVENTS OFFERED

Event Name	Entry Fee (1st Event)	Entry Fee (2 nd + Event)
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	\$85	\$25
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Program w/ Music	\$85	n/a
Aspire 1-4 Compulsory	\$85	\$25
Aspire 1-4 Program w/ Music	\$85	n/a
Well Balanced Free Skate Program Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary	\$85	n/a
Excel Free Skate Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary, Preliminary Plus	\$85	n/a
Showcase: Character, Comedic	\$85	\$25
Showcase: Interpretive	\$85	\$25
Jump Challenge	\$85	\$25
Spin Challenge	\$85	\$25
Compulsory Challenge	\$85	\$25
Aspire Synchro	Team: \$85	n/a
Theater on Ice - CE	Team: \$85	n/a
Special Olympics Levels 1-6, Badges 1-12	\$85	\$25

MUSIC

Music must be uploaded through EntryEeze by Saturday, November 29.

File Format: MP3

Bit Rate: 192 kbps or higher and Sample Rate: 44,100 kHz.

This will be verified by the music chair and they may request you upload a corrected file.

Competitors must also bring a copy of their music on a CD as a backup in case of technical difficulties and must be available rink side during the competition. Only CDs (standard CD-R format only) will be accepted for backups and must be clearly marked with the competitor's name, event, and running time. Music must be uploaded before the closing date to avoid a \$10 late fee.



REGISTRATION DESK

The registration desk will be located in the A lobby. Skaters must check in at least 45 minutes prior to their event.

DRESS

All competitors are responsible for their own skating attire. No props or items allowed on the ice except for Showcase events.

COACHING INFORMATION

To be credentialed at a Compete USA event, coaches are required to have:

- Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership
- SafeSport training completed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and older)
- Background check successfully passed (for coaches/instructors 18 years old and older)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed OR U.S. Figure Skating compliant coach (for coaches under 18 years old)

The competition will have a list of compliant coaches who are cleared for a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo ID to receive a credential. For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please refer to: https://www.usfigureskating.org/support/coach/coach-compliance

If a coach cannot provide a photo ID and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential — no exceptions. Non-credentialed coaches will no be permitted in the designated coaching area at rink side during events. Coaching at U.S. Figure Skating events without compliance is an ethical violation, which is reported to U.S. Figure Skating and PSA.

It is very important to the success of the competition that skaters are placed in the correct divisions. If, for whatever reason, the competition discovers that a skater has been placed in a category that is below his/her class level, the chairman and referee will have the option to move the skater into the proper division, even if this has to be done the day of the competition. This will ensure that every event is as fair as possible to the competitors. It is an ethical violation for coaches to sandbag an event.



CONTACT

If you have any questions, please contact Skating Supervisor/Competition Chair Ania Lopez at alopez@nbparks.org.





