



Northwoods Figure Skating Club
35th Annual Festival on Ice
NFSC: In Our Figure Skating Era

NFSC's annual ice show is our celebration event where all of our skaters, from Learn to Skate to Free Skate levels, are given the opportunity to showcase and perform the skating skills they have learned and accomplished throughout the year. We strongly encourage all skaters to participate in this event.

When: Saturday, March 22 & Sunday, March 23, 2025 - All skaters will perform in 3 shows.

There will be two shows on Saturday, 1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. and one show on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Where: Rice Lake Hockey Arena, Rice Lake, WI

Participation Cost: \$125 (All levels of skaters)

Cost includes: participation in a group number, coaching fees, choreography, music, ice fees, t-shirt, participation medal, costume, one pair of tights, professional picture in show program, one show program, access to professional action photos of show performances with free downloads.

**** NOTE **** To ease the payment process, all costs selected by the skating families for the show registration will be invoiced and charged directly through each participant's GoMotion account. Each family participating will need to acknowledge and approve direct payment through GoMotion for the 2025 show registration (including extras such as t-shirts, tights, & Features).

All show costs will be billed and processed directly through GoMotion on December 6, 2024.

Registration: Registration is due Monday, November 25th for ALL participants.
Registration will be online via Google Forms and emailed to all current skater's families.
LATE REGISTRATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

Skating Requirements: All skaters *must participate in the 2 skating sessions with NFSC prior to the start of show practices* during the 2024-2025 season. Freestyle skaters must skate with NFSC for a minimum of 10 hours during the current season.

All show practices will be on Sundays at the Rice Lake Hockey Arena February 2 through March 16, 2025. A schedule will be distributed once groups are formed. Parents are also required to assist playing the music during practices for the groups and feature skaters. A sign up and schedule will be distributed once the groups have been created.

ALL show practices are mandatory for all skaters.

Sponsorship Requirements: All skaters are required to collect a **minimum** of \$150 in sponsorships. If a family has more than one skater in the show, the combined minimum is \$200 in sponsorships. **NOTE:** Families will be responsible for the full sponsorship amount if the minimum sponsorship requirement is not turned in by January 20, 2025. You can start collecting sponsorships now. Information regarding sponsorships will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Volunteer Requirements: Each skater must have a representative volunteer for 3 or more committees. One committee selection prior to the show and the others to be during a show performance. This may include a locker room volunteer. Please see attached for more information.

Pictures: Professional photography will be offered. **Photos will be taken on Sunday, January 12, 2025 in the Cumberland Middle School Commons.** We ask that **ALL** skaters attend, as these photos will be used in the show program. Photo purchases are optional. The schedule will be released at a later date.

Features - Optional & Additional Costs

Cost: Additional \$50 - Features are Optional

Feature Qualifications: Eligible skaters must be at Free Skate 1 or above at the time of registration. Examples of Show Features are: solo, duet, trio or quartet.

Please include the names of other skaters in your feature request and be sure to speak with them prior to writing their name down. If your registration does not include the names of other skaters within the feature you are requesting, your feature will not be considered. All feature requests will be reviewed and approved by the Show Committee. Skaters will receive an email confirmation if their requested feature is approved.

Feature Skater Biography: Due January 20, 2025 to be printed in the show program.

Please submit a skater biography to Hannah Bluse (hbluse@ricelake.com). This information will be included in the show program as an introduction of the featured skater or group. Please keep this in mind when writing your biography. Space is limited, so please follow the guidelines:

- *Trio/Quartet = 50 words maximum*
- *Duet = 75 words maximum*
- *Solo = 100 words maximum*

Feature Costumes: Costumes are **not** included in the cost of skating in a feature. It is highly suggested to order costumes by the first week of December. Costumes are 100% the responsibility of the skater(s). It is important to select AND order costumes timely to ensure their arrival and proper fit prior to pictures scheduled for January 12, 2025. Discuss the costume selection with your group. **BEFORE ordering your costume**, email your costume selection to the Show Committee. This is to ensure there are no duplicates with the group costumes or other features.

Music & Choreography: A coach will be assigned to each feature group. The cost of choreography, music, and coaching are not included in the registration fee. Features will be given scheduled ice practices; however, you may elect to practice more often outside of NFSC. This is the responsibility of the skaters to coordinate with their coaches. Each coach will charge the skaters individually for any costs incurred. Feature songs **must** also be approved by the Show Committee. This will eliminate duplicate songs within the current and previous shows. It is recommended to have more than one song choice for your feature.

Skaters opting to skate in a Feature is an addition to skating in their group number, which all skaters are required to participate as a requirement of registering for the show.

***A request for a feature does not guarantee the skater a feature number in the 2025 ice show.
The Show Committee will try to accommodate all feature requests.***

Volunteer Positions

Each family is required to work a minimum of 3 different committees during the show season. One job requirement should be fulfilled prior to the ice show, and the others during or after show performances. Positions to choose from are listed and described below. You may be placed in a locker room if there are not enough volunteers for the show. **You will be required to complete a background check and SafeSafe training prior to the show. No adult will be allowed to enter the locker rooms unless they are in compliance with the SafeSafe- guidelines.** For those working during a show performance (does not include dress rehearsal), admission to that show performance is free.

The Chairperson of each committee will contact each worker to coordinate shifts and better explain the duties of each position. Some of the volunteer positions may be altered due to COVID-19, but all families will be contacted if changes are needed. A volunteer schedule will be created and distributed once all registrations have been received. The annual ice show takes many volunteers to be successful. You may be asked to assist on a different committee as needed. Your help is greatly appreciated! An email to sign up for volunteer positions will be sent once registration is complete.

DECORATIONS: This committee is responsible for selecting, preparing, and setting up the decorations and taking down all decorations after the last show performance. There may be an opportunity to fulfill this position during show practice.

BLACK CURTAINS: Black curtains are put up during dress rehearsal and taken down after the last show performance.

CLEAN UP: Clean locker rooms, prepare them for our use, and clean up after the final show. Sweep and remove trash in the bleacher area during dress rehearsal, between shows, and after the final show performance.

CHECK-IN: Check-in skaters during show practices, night of dress rehearsal, and prior to each show performance. Check-in volunteers working during show performances and hand out name tags provided.

PROPS: Creativity needed! Work with the committee chair for props to be created and used during show performances. Obtain previous props from the storage shed if necessary. Set up during shows as needed.

FLOWERS: Sell flowers before and during show performances in the lobby and arena. Wrapping of flowers will also be necessary during dress rehearsal.

TICKET SALES: Sell tickets in the lobby 1 ½ hours prior to performances. Collect tickets and stamp hands upon admission.

USHERS: Assist audience into bleacher area, assist handicap and elderly individuals to the reserved seating areas; keep audience members seated during skating performances, monitor the crowd.

MUSIC/SOUND: Play music during show session practices at the rink. This is a very important piece for show practices, they need the music. This is a great opportunity for a parent there watching practice anyway. This person(s) would likely need to be available for a few hours at a time.

LOCKER ROOMS: Locker room supervision is required of all NFSC skaters during dress rehearsal and during show performances. Locker room monitors will make sure skaters are safe while in the locker rooms, assist with needs, account for the skaters' whereabouts, and help skaters get to the ice for their performances on time. **You will be required to complete a background check and SafeSport training prior to the show. No adult will be allowed to enter the locker rooms unless they are in compliance with the SafeSport guidelines.**

Frequently Asked Questions

Who may participate in the ice show?

Any member of the Northwoods Figure Skating Club who meets the skating requirements as described above.

How is my skater placed in a group number?

Skaters are grouped based on their USFS skating level. It may be necessary to place skaters from more than one level together in a group. The Show Committee will do their best to place skaters within appropriate skill levels for their group numbers, and be very considerate for the safety of all skaters.

What if my skater decides they don't want to participate in the show after registration?

Once registered, if your skater(s) choose not to participate in the show for any reason, and the club has not canceled the show, the family will not be refunded. A refund will only be allowed if the Show Committee and/or NFSC Board of Directors cancels.

What if I don't collect the minimum sponsorship requirement?

Our success depends on the help of your family securing sponsorships to aid in the cost of the show. It costs approximately \$10,000 to produce the shows each year and we need your help. If your family cannot secure the minimum sponsorship requirements, the cost will be charged through your skater's GoMotion account.

Whom do I contact for more information or if I have more questions? Any of the Show Committee members! We are all here to help and provide a fun and successful show for 2023!! Also all show information and documents are available on our website at: <https://northwoodsfsc.com/show-information/>

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