



**Pre-School: Snowplow Sam
Spring 2026**

Spring: Feb. 23rd through Mar. 16th

PLEASE NOTE: MONDAY CLASSES RUN AN EXTRA WEEK BUT CLASS LAST WEEK 3/16 IS AT Wendall Barwood Arena in HARTFORD, VT.

The Skating Club at Dartmouth (SCAD), a US Figure Skating member club, offers top quality instruction and small group ice skating lessons following the Learn to Skate USA curriculum endorsed by US Figure Skating, USA Hockey and US Speedskating. The group classes teach children the fundamentals of skating, building confidence through each lesson. With this foundation, skaters can choose to skate recreationally or to focus on figure skating, hockey or speedskating.

For Pre-School skaters ages 3+ who have NOT entered kindergarten, Snowplow Sam is the first step in a progressive skating curriculum that includes four levels ([Snowplow Sam 1-4](#)). Once skaters have completed all four Snowplow Sam levels –or- started kindergarten, they then move to the Basic Skills program.

Pre-School skaters are on the ice for 30-minutes; skaters are in a lesson for the entire time block. Skaters are assigned to groups based on ability and prior evaluations. A skater must master all skills at a given level before progressing to the next one.

Schedule

- **Mondays – 4:30-5:00 OR 4:50-5:20pm at Champion Rink** – registration for Monday’s session is limited to small numbers and will be filled on a first-come, first served basis. Time will be determined by level and enrollment numbers.
- **Thursdays – 4:30-5:00pm at Champion Rink** – SCAD offers multiple Pre-School group classes on Thursdays.

Lesson Pricing

	SPRING Feb. 23 rd thru Mar 16 th
Mondays	\$88-4 skates thru Mar 16 th
Thursdays	\$66-3 skates thru Mar 12 th
Monday and Thursdays	\$144- 7 skates thru Mar 16 th

Registration Deadline

The registration **deadline is Wednesday Feb. 18th unless classes fill up before then.** After the deadline registration will be taken on a space available basis and subject to a \$15 late fee.

US Figure Skating Membership Fee

Learn to Skate USA Membership - \$20.50 (July 1 – June 30th)

All skaters must be current members of US Figure Skating as Learn to Skate USA members. The annual membership runs from July 1 – June 30th and provides basic membership to the national organization and sports accident insurance.

Evaluations

For sessions of 5 weeks or longer, coaches will conduct evaluations during the last week of class in order to determine placement for the next session. If a skater is ready to advance prior to the end of the session, the coach will arrange to have an earlier evaluation. We ask parents to support our coaches in the evaluation process.

Policies

These forms have been updated to reflect policy changes made for the 2025-26 season due to COVID-19. If any provision contained in this document conflicts with any provision contained in SCAD's document describing COVID-19 policies, the provisions contained in the COVID-19 document shall govern and control.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE COVID POLICIES

The following policies have been officially adopted by the Skating Club at Dartmouth. Please review them carefully before enrolling:

- Helmets are required for all Basic 1-6 and Hockey. Helmets are strongly encouraged for all other skaters in the program.
- SCAD will be following rules set forth by the City of Lebanon, Hanover Improvement Society, and Champion rink regarding mask wearing indoors. At any time SCAD reserves the right to implement measures we see fit to keep our membership as safe as possible.
- Skaters must have signed Waiver of Liability and Emergency Contact forms on file.
- Skaters must follow all posted rules of the rink.
- For children 8-years old and younger, a parent, legal guardian or other specifically appointed person must be in the rink during the skating session. Unless skaters are in a group or private lesson, they are not directly accounted for by an adult.
- For skaters 9-years and older, SCAD MUST be able to reach at least one emergency contact provided at the time of registration at all times that the skater is participating in SCAD programming.
- The Skating Club is not responsible for any child, of any age, left at the rink unattended.
- Parents and other spectators may watch from the boards, seating areas or bleachers. Please do not sit in the first players' box near to the rink entrance: this area is used by the coaches and kept available for emergencies.
- There are NO refunds, except for authorized medical reasons with a physician's note.
- Unfortunately, SCAD is NOT able to accommodate make-ups or substitutions for missed sessions.
- **In the event of a rink shut-down that necessitates multiple missed weeks, SCAD will either schedule make-up lessons or issue pro-rata tuition refunds less administrative fees and a percentage representing the fixed operating costs of SCAD**
- In the case of inclement weather, please call Champion Rink to confirm that the rink is open (603-643-1222). As a general rule, if the rink is open, SCAD sessions will be held.
- Occasionally there are changes or cancellations to our schedule. Please review the online calendar regularly and look for emails notifying members of changes. Email notifications will be sent from our registration system to the primary account holder's email address.
- SCAD reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary –or- to cancel any program for any reason, including insufficient enrollment, coaching coverage or ice availability.

Scholarships & Family Discounts

Need Based Scholarship Assistance

Need-based scholarship assistance is available through the Frannie Burnett Skaters Scholarship Fund. This fund is committed to making skating financially accessible. Regardless of your experience or skating level, we encourage all skaters with financial need to apply. Be assured that all inquiries, applications and awards are handled confidentially. The fund can assist with lesson fees, private lessons and/or equipment. Applications are available at:

<http://www.skatingclubatdartmouth.org/registration>.

Please note: Frannie fund will award up to 50% of tuition. Families are required to pay the USFS membership plus 50% of tuition at time of registration. Once scholarship is awarded, the family will be required to pay any remaining balance.

Family Discounts

For multiple skaters in the same household, SCAD offers a \$12.50 discount for each additional skater (e.g. if you register 3 skaters, the second and third skaters would each receive a \$12.50 discount on their lesson fees).