Basic Skills through Free Skate 2

FALL 1 and FALL 2 2026

FALL 1: Sept. 21st through Oct. 22nd

FALL 2: Oct. 26th through Dec. 17th

NO CLASS THANKSGIVING DAY 11/26

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 Speed skating. 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 skaters in kindergarten and above, Basic Skills is the first step in a progressive skating curriculum that includes six levels (Basic 1-6). Skaters interested in pursuing figure skating then move to the Free Skate track, including Pre-Free Skate, Free Skate 1 and Free Skate 2. The Learn to Skate USA Hockey track is an option for skaters who have passed Basic 2.

Group classes are 50-minutes, including a 30-min lesson and 20-min open practice time. 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

Skaters may choose to skate one or two sessions per week.

- **Mondays – 4:30-5:20pm at Campion** –begins with 20-min of practice followed by a 30-min group lesson
- **Thursdays – 4:30-6:00pm at Campion – a skater's specific time depends on level**. Times for each level will be determined once registration closes, from the following time blocks:
  - 4:30-5:20pm (4:30-5 group lesson and 5-5:20 practice time)
  - 4:40-5:30pm (4:40-5 practice time and 5-5:30 group lesson)
  - 5:10-6:00pm (5:10-5:30 practice time and 5:30-6 group lesson)

Lesson Pricing

Per session pricing is discounted for skaters who skate more than one-time per week.

	FALL 1 September 21st through October 22nd	**FALL 2** October 26th through December 17th Registration for FALL 2-only will be available around October 12th	**FALL 1 & FALL 2** Save NOW by registering now for both sessions!
Mondays	$170–5 skates through Oct. 19th	$272–8 skates through Dec. 14th	$432-13 skates through Dec. 14th
Thursdays	$170–5 skates through Oct. 22nd	$238-7 skates through Dec. 17th No class Nov. 26th	$398-12 skates through Dec. 17th No class 11/26
Mondays & Thursdays	$330–10 skates through Oct. 22nd	$500–15 skates through Dec. 17th No Class Nov. 26th	$830–25 skates through Dec. 17th No class 11/26

Registration Deadline

The registration **deadline is Thursday, Sept. 10th**. Registrations will be accepted after the deadline 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 2026-27 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.

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 all 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 Campion 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 Campion 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.

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).

Freestyle Skating Option and Private Lessons

Skaters who have passed Basic 6 and who would like more practice can sign-up for any Open Freestyle times (which are held on Sundays). Freestyle sessions are a good opportunity for skaters wishing to progress quickly: sessions offer skaters time to practice their skills and/or take private lessons. Skaters who have passed Freeskate or higher are eligible to skate our freestyle sessions. Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 2 skaters must also be registered for group lessons in order to skate on Freestyle ice

If you are interested in private lessons, they are arranged directly between a skater and a coach. Our website has more information about our professional staff and our Executive Director is available to answer questions about how it works. Skaters may also use the practice free skate ice time during their Basic Skills/Free Skate session(s) for private lessons (note: the total number of private lessons that can be running concurrently on Basic Skills ice is limited to four).