



Saratoga Springs Recreation Department

Early Bird Registrations:
Early Fall: Aug 20-Sept 24
Fall: Oct 1-Nov 5
Register Early and Save!

Intro to Ice Skating

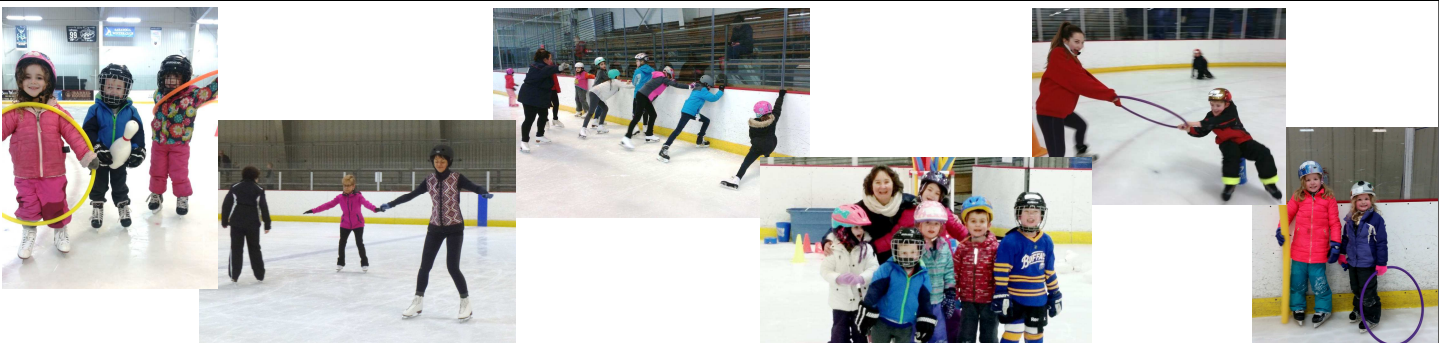
Early Fall & Fall 2018

Register at 15 Vanderbilt Avenue, Saratoga Springs
Mon-Fri 9am-7pm Sat 12-4pm

“A strong foundation can produce a lifetime of pleasure on the ice”

Early Bird Fees for Single Session: C \$55 N \$75
Single Session Fees after 9/24 or 11/5: C \$80 N \$100

Early Bird Fees for Both Sessions: C \$110 N \$150
Fees for Both Sessions after 9/24: C \$135 N \$175



Ages: 3 and up (Adults Included)
Early Fall Dates: Oct 2-Nov 6
Early Fall Times: Tues 10-11am/5-6pm (Adults 5-6pm)
Fall Dates: Nov 10-Dec 22 (no 11/24)
Fall Times: Tues 10-11am/5-6pm
(Choose One) Sat 11:15-12:15pm/11:45-12:45pm (Adults 11:45-12:45pm)

Location: Ice Rinks (Weibel and Vernon)
Coordinator: Jill Ramos-USFS Quad Gold
Instructors: Amanda Shelburne-PSA Master Rated
Pat Kenkel-Reg & Nat Coach
Kelsey Clechenko-Nat Competitor

- Introduces participants to the exciting world of ice skating
- Provides opportunity to build upon skills already learned
- Classes grouped by age and ability and consist of 1/2 hour group class and 1/2 hour practice
- Level based system of teaching provides clear path to advancement.
- Instructors have many years of experience teaching emphasize fun and safety while providing proper technique in ice skating basics
- A responsible adult must accompany 3-6 yr olds on the ice and be available to assist instructors (skates not mandatory for adults)
- Bike, Ski or Hockey helmets are mandatory for all children, whether they are on the ice participating or watching from a stroller
- Use Single Blade Skates ONLY
- Rental skates are available for \$4 per class or \$20 per session (purchase on first day)
- Please dress accordingly with outdoor winter clothing (snow/fleece pants, jacket, mittens)

Attention Skaters:

Family Skate, Open Public, Open Stick, Open Adult Hockey, & Open Figure sessions are also available!
Go to SaratogaRec.com and click on the Ice Skate for the schedule!

Saratoga Springs Recreation Department
15 Vanderbilt Ave Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
518-587-3550 ext 2300 recreservations@saratoga-springs.org
Find Schedule, Information and Forms at: SaratogaRec.com



Join our mailing list!

Introduction to Ice Skating Program Information

Goals

- Be safe
- Have fun
- Learn to skate
- Advance ice skating skills

Permission Agreement form must be filled out for:

- Participant(s)
- Adult(s) who will be on ice
- Other family members who might be on ice

Skates

- Single Blade ONLY
- Figure, Hockey or Hybrid acceptable
- Figure has flatter blade, better for those just starting out
- Size should be same as shoe size or size smaller
- Should have good ankle support
- Blades should be free of rust

Helmet Requirements (Bike, Ski, Riding or Hockey)

- Participant(s)
- Other children who will be on ice
- Helmet must fit snugly

Equipment List

- Skates (Unless renting)
- Helmet
- Mittens or gloves
- Outdoor winter wear (snowpants, jacket)
- Small cloth rag or towel (to wipe down skates)
- Optional - elbow and knee pads

Communication

- Interaction with your (your child's) instructor
- Announcements made at the beginning of each session
- Handouts placed on tables
- Signs posted on rink doors
- Emails/Website updates

Parental Helps

- Arrive at the rink early enough to be ready to step on the ice when the session starts (For most families this is 15-20 minutes ahead)
- Participate with your child during instruction time as needed
- Encourage safe behavior from your child at all times
- Watch for periodic posted information signs and emails

Intro to Ice Skating Program Information (cont):

How should adults dress for comfort?

- Warm jacket, pants, mittens or gloves
- Warm socks and shoes or boots
 - Shoe/boot bottoms must be free of dirt before stepping on ice

What is meant by “sharp” blades?

- Blades must have a concave groove to supply edges that will grip the ice
- Edges must be even (one edge should not be higher than the other)

What else do I need to know about blades?

- Blades should be dried with a cloth after each use to prevent rusting
- Rust should be removed from blades before attempting to skate – usually accomplished by sharpening

What are “skate guards?”

- Plastic covers that protect blades while walking on non-padded and non ice surface
- Guards should not be kept on skates when stored in bag as this will cause blades to rust

What are “soakers?”

- Cloth covers for blades
- Absorb moisture when skates are not being worn
- Protects blades when stored in bag

What if I have additional questions?

- Please feel free to approach your (your child's) instructor with any additional questions. We are all dedicated to making your (your child's) experience as positive and productive as possible and are more than happy to guide you appropriately through your (your child's) skating experience.



How to lace skates-

Time Required: The time for this task can take anywhere from two to ten minutes, depending on experience.

Here's How:

1. **Loosen up the skates.**

By pulling the laces out a bit, the foot can be put inside easily.

2. **Stuff the feet inside the boots.**

Make sure the socks are straight and the foot is placed inside the boot all the way. Put the toe of the foot in first and then push the heel all the way down.

3. **Tighten up the laces in the first half of the boot.**

Work up from the toe to the ankle. Don't pull the laces too tight in this area. Just make sure that each pull is somewhat secure.

4. **Tighten the laces the most where the foot and the ankle bends.**

This is the most important part of lacing figure skates. Give the laces a good tug at this point and pull hard.

Suggestion: *Just before starting to lace the hooks, wrap one lace around the other twice to keep a snug fit over the arch so the laces won't slip.*

5. **Next lace around the hooks.**

Make a criss-cross pattern with the laces and pull with both hands around each hook. Some skaters like to put the laces over and under the hooks; others like to put the laces under and then over. Either option is correct.

Again, don't pull the laces too hard. Leave some room for the ankle to bend.

6. **Finish with a secure bow.**

It is recommended to double knot the bow. Some figure skaters leave the top hooks empty while breaking in new boots.

7. **Tuck the bow's loops inside the tops of the boots.**

This will prevent the blade from catching the bow's loops and also keeps the top hooks from coming loose.

Tips:

1. If the skates don't feel secure after being laced up, the laces are too loose, and lacing should be done over again.
2. Figure skates should not be too tight. If a skater can't bend his or her knees, the skates are too tight.
3. Make sure the tongue of the skate is straight and does not slip under the laces.
4. Skates must fit. If the boot is too big, lacing the skates tightly will not improve the ice skating experience.
5. Wear a sock that fits and make sure that no wrinkles are in the sock as the foot is placed inside the ice skating boot. Wearing thick socks is not recommended for figure skating.



City of Saratoga Springs' Recreation Department

Rec Card Application and Permission Agreement

Youngest Year of Birth _____

New Primary Resident _____
Renewal _____

PRIMARY RESIDENT			
Last Name _____	First _____	Male Female	D.O.B / /
Street Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Email _____		School District _____	
Cell ()	Home ()	Work ()	

Office Use Only
Card Number _____

ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS (must reside in same household as primary resident)					
Last Name (indicate if different last name)	First	M/F	D.O.B	Grade	School
1.			/ /		
2.			/ /		
3.			/ /		
4.			/ /		
5.			/ /		
6.			/ /		

Office Use Only
Card Number _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS				
Last Name _____	First _____	Relationship _____	Cell Phone ()	Home Phone ()

MEDICAL AGREEMENT	
<p>I fully understand and acknowledge that there are inherent risks and dangers in my participation and/or my child's participation in the city's recreational activities and that my participation and/or my child's participation in said activities and use of any equipment related to said activities may result in injury, illness or death and damage to personal property. I understand other participants, accidents, forces of nature or any other causes may result in risks and dangers and I hereby accept those risks. In the event of an emergency, I hereby authorize treatment by Certified Emergency Personnel (i.e. EMT, First Responder, and/or Emergency Department Physician) and that I shall be responsible for the costs associated with that care. It is understood that reasonable efforts shall be made to contact the undersigned prior to rendering treatment, but that any treatments will not be withheld if the undersigned cannot be reached. I assume full responsibility for any medical treatment rendered.</p>	
Primary Signature _____	Date _____
Secondary Signature (All additional residents 18 and Over must sign) _____	Date _____

RECREATION AGREEMENT	
<p>Please consult your and/or your child's physician prior to you and/or your child's participation in any City of Saratoga Springs Recreation Program. If there are questions as to whether or not you or your child may be capable of participating in any activity sponsored by the City of Saratoga Springs Recreation Commission, please contact the City's Recreation Department at (518) 587-3550 extension 2300. In that you and/or your child have expressed a desire to participate in a City sponsored Recreation Program/Facilities, it is important that you and/or your child understand the goals and rules established for the Program. Each participant will have Rules of Conduct explained to him/her prior to the start of any activity. He/she must observe the rules as explained and accept the consequences of behavior modification if needed as outlined in the Recreation Handouts.</p> <p>In signing this agreement, I acknowledge that I fully understand there are inherent risks and dangers associated with my and/or my child's participation in Recreation sponsored activities. I also understand and acknowledge my and my Child's participation in these activities and use of any equipment related to such activities may result in injury, illness or death and damage to personal property. I understand other participants, accidents, forces of nature or other causes may cause these risks and dangers and hereby accept those risks. I understand that my child and/or I may be photographed or videoed and my and my child's name may be used for publicity purposes for the Saratoga Springs Recreation Program and its sponsors/donors.</p> <p>I hereby agree that my child and I will participate in City sponsored Recreation Program activities in accordance with the City's rules and regulations and acknowledge no physical or emotional issue which would prohibit me or my child from participation. I agree to indemnify and save harmless the City of Saratoga Springs from and against all claims, damages, losses and expense (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees), arising out of my child and my participation in Recreation Commission sponsored events provided that any such claim, damage, loss or expense is not directly attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of property caused by the negligent act or omission of the City, its agents or employees.</p>	
Primary Signature _____	Date _____
Secondary Signature (18 and Over) _____	Date _____

OFFICE USE ONLY				
Circle Residency: City School Non School	List type of proof _____ (tax bill, s/b/l number, lease agreement*, water/sewer bill) *page number in city street book City/School ONLY	Circle Max Entered: Y N	Date: _____	Staff Initials _____

Batch #: _____



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Rec Card Application and Permission Agreement

The **REC CARD** is a two year agreement that allows participation in the City of Saratoga Springs Recreation Department programs. Regardless of your residency, if you are registering for a program or participating in one of our daily programs, the **Rec Card** can benefit you!

Why get a Rec Card?

1. Program discounts for City and School district residents. Without a **REC CARD** or proof of residency at the time of registering or paying for a program you will be charged the highest rate.
2. Simpler registration and less paperwork for you. The **REC CARD** is good for two years and serves as your permission agreement for any recreation program. Simply include your **REC CARD** number on the registration form or show your **REC CARD** at the time of registration. This eliminates the necessity of completing permission agreement forms for every program you register for or are participating in.
3. Free Open Gym. **REC CARD** holders can participate in Free open gym. Non **REC CARD** holders must complete additional paperwork.

*All individuals who want to participate in Recreation Department programs, regardless of residency, should apply for a **REC CARD**.*

How do I get a Rec Card?

Bring your proof of residency, such as City or School tax bill, sewer/water bill, lease agreement, or any document with your section/block/lot number included on it, to the Recreation Center, 15 Vanderbilt Ave. Complete the **REC CARD** application at the front desk. Your picture will be taken and you will be given your new **REC CARD**. All individuals on the application will need to have a picture taken.

*If you live outside the School District, proof of residency is not needed but you should still obtain a **REC CARD** to participate in programming so you do not need to complete the additional paperwork each time you participate.*

Where to use your Rec Card?

1. **Programs-** When registering for a program (soccer, basketball, clinics) include your **Rec Card #** or show your card at the time of registration. You will not be required to complete the permission agreement forms and you will receive the appropriate discount. Participants without a **Rec Card** or proof of residency will be charged the highest rate.
2. **Daily Programs** (Adult Basketball, Racquetball, Drop-In Zumba, Pickleball)- All participants will be required to have a **Rec Card** to participate. All visitors and non **Rec Card** holders will be required to complete a permission agreement each visit and will be charged the highest rate unless proof of residency is provided each time.
3. **Ice Rink Programs** – Show your **Rec Card** at the window to receive the discount. All visitors and non **Rec Card** holders will be required to complete a permission agreement each time and will be charged the highest rate unless proof of residency is provided each time.
4. **Free Open Gym-** All participants will be required to have a **Rec Card** to participate. All visitors and non **Rec Card** holders will be required to complete a permission agreement each visit.

How do I renew my Rec Card?

All Rec Cards will expire two years after you receive your initial **Rec Card**. To renew your **Rec Card**, you will have to again show your proof of residency at the Recreation Center and complete the **Rec Card** application and permission agreement Form.

Saratoga Springs Recreation Department
15 Vanderbilt Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866



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Early Fall/Fall 2018 Intro to Ice Skating Registration

Early Bird Early Fall Registration Period Aug 20-Sept 24

Early Bird Fall Registration Period Oct 1-Nov 5

Please Print Clearly

How did you hear about us?				
Brochure	Facebook	Flyer	Friend/Family	Newsletter
Newspaper (which one?)	Radio	Signs/banners	Website	Other

Does participant have a Rec Card? _____ Yes If **YES**, write Rec Card # _____ and complete this registration form.
 _____ No If **NO**, please complete Rec Card application. Find forms at SaratogaRec.com or at Rec Center.

If you do not have a Rec Card, you must provide proof of Residency with the registration to receive City/School District Rate.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION							
Circle one:		City Resident (C)	School District Resident (S)	Non School District Resident (N)			
Last Name	First	Male	Current Grade	School	Birth Date	Age	
		Female					
Address		City	State	Zip Code	Primary Phone ()		
Parent / Guardian Name		First	Email				
Please list any allergies/medical problems, including those requiring maintenance medications. Attach additional sheets if necessary:							

INTRO TO ICE SKATING (Kids)				
Circle all applicable CODES and FEES		Circle Skating Level: Never Skated Can Skate Forward Can Skate Backward		
Date	Session	City Resident	School Resident	Non School Resident
Oct 2-Nov 6 Please Select Session:	Early Bird Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$55	6WK FCS \$ 75	6WK FCN \$ 75
	After Sept 24th Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$80	6WK FCS \$100	6WK FCN \$100
	Tuesday: 10-11am _____ 5-6pm _____			
Nov 10-Dec 22 (No Sat Nov 24th) Please Select Session:	Early Bird Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$55	6WK FCS \$ 75	6WK FCN \$ 75
	After Nov 5th Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$80	6WK FCS \$100	6WK FCN \$100
	Tuesday: 10-11am _____ 5-6pm _____ Sat: 11:15-12:15 _____ 11:45-12:45 _____			

INTRO TO ICE SKATING (Adults)				
Circle all applicable CODES and FEES				
Date	Session	City Resident	School Resident	Non School Resident
Oct 2-Nov 6 Please Select Session:	Early Bird Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$55	6WK FCS \$ 75	6WK FCN \$ 75
	After Sept 24th Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$80	6WK FCS \$100	6WK FCN \$100
	Tuesdays 5-6pm _____			
Nov 10-Dec 22 (No Sat Nov 24th) Please Select Session:	Early Bird Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$55	6WK FCS \$ 75	6WK FCN \$ 75
	After Nov 5th Intro to Ice Skating	6WK FCC \$80	6WK FCS \$100	6WK FCN \$100
	Tuesday: 5-6pm _____ Saturday: 11:45-12:45pm _____			

OFFICE USE ONLY						
City/School District Proof (tax bill, s/b/l number, water/sewer bill, lease agreement, Rec Card):						
Cash Amount:	Check #:	Total Amount:	Date:	Batch #:	Circle Max Entered: Y N	Staff Initials:
There will be no reminder phone calls about the clinics/programs, please keep the calendar of dates! Please make checks payable to the Commissioner of Finance.						