

STARSkate

WELCOME NEWSLETTER

~ FALL 2017 ~

Welcome to the 2017/2018 STARSkate Session!

Hello IESC members and happy new skating season to everyone! We hope your summer was fabulous and fun with friends and family. We are excited to help your child learn to skate with our certified Skate Canada Programs and Coaches!

Thank you for being a part of the STARSkate Program!

STARSkate Summer Camp



Our STARSkate Summer Camp in August was a great success! Thanks to the volunteers, coaches and our PA's for making the program happen! The skaters had fun and got their ice legs back before the start of the 2017/2018 Season!



News to Note

- We have Sunday ice available for our STARSkaters! Visit our website to register for these spots!
- For those registered in Friday am ice: Our schedule had no Friday am ice listed for December 1. Please change your calendars to December 15 as no Friday ice instead.
- We still have openings for our Monday am and Friday am ice. The price cannot be beat! We need a minimum amount of skaters registered, and may cancel the entire morning offerings if we do not get registrations.
- We will have club jackets embroidered by end of September/first of October. Amanda Van Ham is organizing the orders. Please contact her to find out about jacket styles to order and dates for bringing jackets to us, and cost: specialevents@iceedgeskatingclub.com
- Our Fundraising campaign begins October 10/11!
- STARSkate parent meeting is September 18 @ 6:00 pm in the Lounge at the Rec Centre!

- Coach Heather is booking goal setting meetings with STAR parents. These meetings are not required, but they are a great way to build the coach/parent relationship and also understand what your skater will be working on over the year.
- Parents are encouraged to attend the off-ice classes when we have our guest instructors. Our first one is September 27 (JRs) and 28 (Srs), Nutritionist Courtney Cassidy.

** Parent viewing is available in the bleacher area on the far side of the arena or in the warm viewing area above the rinks. If your child is under 10, you cannot leave the arena without signing a waiver for the season. Parents are responsible for their children in unsupervised areas. Due to insurance through Skate Canada, parents cannot step onto the ice. Ice Edge is not responsible for stolen or lost items. Ice Edge does not offer make up classes. **

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

- 8-First day CanSkate Friday
- 10-First Day CanSkate Sunday
- 10-PA Training 1:45-2:30 pm
- 11-JR STARSkate Start
- 12-SR STARSkate Start
- 18-Parent Meeting 6:00 pm, Lounge
Bring bond cheques!
- 27/28-Nutritionist@Off-Ice
Parents encouraged to attend
- 30-Silent Auction Items Due

OCTOBER

- 9-No JR STAR classes
- 9-No Monday am Ice
- 10/11-Fall Fundraiser Launch
- 14-Bottle Drive
- 30/31-Fundraising Orders Due

NOVEMBER

- 3/5-Picture Day TBC
- 9-No SR STAR Classes
- 10-No Friday am Ice or CanSkate
- 12-No CanSkate or Sunday Ice
- 17-Last Day Friday CanSkate
- 19-Last Day Sunday CanSkate
- 24-No Friday am Ice
- 24-26-St. Albert Comp *ALL*

DECEMBER

- 15-No Friday am Ice (*was previously no Friday am Ice Dec 1*)
- 15-17-Calalta Comp *ALL*
- 22-31-Christmas Break

JANUARY

- 1-4-Christmas Break
- 5-No Friday am Ice
- 5-Friday CanSkate Begins TBC
- 7-Sunday CanSkate Begins
- 7- PA Training 1:45-2:30 pm
- TBD-Bottle Drive (Jan or Feb)
- TBD-Winter Fundraiser Launch

FEBRUARY

- 9-11-Sylvan Lake Comp *STAR4+*
- 9-No Friday am Ice or CanSkate
- 11-No CanSkate or Sunday Ice
- 19-No Monday am Ice
- 19-No JR STAR classes

MARCH

- 9-No Friday am Ice
- 9-11-Calalta Comp CGY
- 11-No CanSkate or Sunday Ice
- 29-JR STARSkate Last Class
- 30-SR STARSkate Last Class

Fundraising/Volunteering



\$15,000

\$10,000

\$0

Our club is a **NONPROFIT SOCIETY** that relies on the support of its members and the community in order to offer these amazing programs for your children! We need your help!

Our fundraising goal this year is \$15,000! Our volunteer roles and current fundraising events are posted on our website and we will also have our fundraising credit values in our fundraising

package on October 11&12. Feel free to contact our fundraising coordinator for more info: fundraising@iceedgeskatingclub.com

Below is the STARSkate member minimum requirements table for your reference
Please ensure your bond cheques are submitted ASAP to a board member, or bring to the Parent Meeting September 18

*** WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR SPONSORS! ***

COMMITMENT CATEGORY	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	BOND CHEQUE \$*	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Volunteer Time	Twelve (12) hours per skater	\$200 cheque x 1 Post Dated March 15, 2018	Earn 600 credits for Volunteering. Sign up online!
Product Fundraising	Approximately \$300 in product sales per skater, which is about \$100 in profits to the club.	\$100 cheque x 1 Post Dated March 15, 2018	Earn 250 credits for Fundraising OPT OUT by providing a cheque for \$100 by September 18.
Bottle Drive	One (1) Bottle Drive	\$100 cheque x 1 Post Dated October 14, 2017	OPT OUT by providing a cheque for \$100 by September 18.
Casino	N/A	N/A	N/A
AGM Attendance	One (1) parent in attendance each season per family	\$50 cheque x 1 Post Dated June 25, 2018	June – Date TBD
Silent Auction Item	One (1) of a min.\$50 value each season per skater	\$50 cheque x 1 Post Dated September 30, 2017	OPT OUT by providing a cheque for \$50 by September 18, 2017
Raffle Ticket Sales	Two (2) books in the Winter session	\$200 cheque x 1 Post Dated March 15, 2018	OPT OUT by providing a cheque for \$200 by September 18, 2017
Program Assistant Time	Attend PA training session and provide program assistance at up to 12 CanSkate classes – eligible Sr. STARSkaters ONLY		Schedule will be agreed to by the Head Coach and the Sr. STARSkaters eligible to participate

- Our upcoming fundraising events are: October 14 Bottle Drive, and the Fall Product Campaign
- Our Fall Fundraising campaign will launch October 11/12 for the STARSkaters. Deadline will be October 30/31. The products will have appeal to many people and should sell easily.
- Our Ticket Raffle will launch in the Winter. The prize TBD.
- Volunteer positions are posted on our website, and more will be added in the last week of September!
- We are looking for sponsors...if you can secure a sponsor for us, we can use their sponsorship value toward your fundraising requirement!
- We are currently planning a fundraising event that will be fun like Paint Nite with a silent auction, but better! Stay tuned!
- We will be collecting the silent auction items from our STARSkate families during the last two weeks of September. Our fundraising coordinator will contact you to make pick-up arrangements. Some ideas for the items are gift cards, gift certificates, brand new items, services or products from your own company, etc!

Please visit our website for up to date board contact info, event info, Skate Canada links and updates

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