2027 Registration Guide and Casting Criteria

Welcome to the 2027 show season! Showtime on Ice is an exciting and entertaining production! Beloved tales and stories are brought to life with music, choreography, professional lighting, and the theater of skating. Skaters learn what it means to be in an actual production, how to perform on ice and work as a team. It truly is an unforgettable experience!

We wouldn't be where we are without the help of our incredible family of volunteers. We are a community of people working together to make a rewarding and successful show experience. Even the committee chairs are an appointed group of volunteers representing the Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club.

The Showtime on Ice Committee and Show Directors will be operating the show from a standpoint of what is best for the production. Please be respectful of the Committee, Directors and our policies and protocol. You will find valuable information in this document - all designed to help you prepare for our upcoming show!

Thank you,
Showtime on Ice Committee

REGISTRATION GUIDE

Showtime on Ice operates on these principles:

- RESPECT – Showtime on Ice is a privilege for all skaters to participate in. We expect skaters to respect each other, directors, choreographers, committee members, volunteers, and rink staff.
- EFFORT – It is expected that all participants of the show be committed to rehearsals, choreography, and costume care.
- ATTITUDE – What makes a great show? Great attitudes! Showtime on Ice is a fun and exciting event for all, and great attitudes make a great show.
- ZERO Tolerance Policy – In order to foster a safe environment for everyone involved with Showtime on Ice we will be enforcing a strict zero tolerance policy that will include but is not limited to, bullying, physical/sexual misconduct, disrespectful behavior, gossip/rumors and failure to follow required USFS SkateSafe and SafeSport and posted Code of Conduct rules and guidelines. This policy extends to skaters, parents and all others involved with the production side of our show.

COST

Level	Total Cost	Breakdown of Cost	Other Info
Learn to Skate / Basic Skills	$315	$200 due at registration and $115 due 1/15/27	This cost includes a DCFSC "Launchpad" membership. If the skater already has a membership then the second payment will be reduced.
USFS Skaters cast in two groups	$415	$300 due at registration and $115 due 1/15/27	
USFS Skaters cast in a group and as a named character	$465	$300 due at registration and $165 due 1/15/27	
Adult Skater Only	$85	$85 due at registration	Registration for USFS tested skaters in dance and/or single skater.
Equal Edges Skater Only	$200	$100 due at registration and $100 due 1/15/27	
Parent Skater Number	$30	$30 due at registration	Limited number of spots

A non-refundable payment is required at the time of registration. All final balances must be paid in full by January 15, 2027. If your balance is not paid you run the risk of not being able to pick up your costume and/or get on the ice when rehearsals start.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SKATERS

1. **Full Member Skaters** must meet all these criteria:
    a. Must be a Full Member of Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club (DCFSC) **AND**
    b. The skater must be working with a staff coach at South Suburban Sports Complex and/or Family Sports Center in the head coach capacity **AND**
    c. The skater must train the majority of the time at SSSC or FSC.

2. **Learn to Skate/ISI Participants**:
    a. The skater must be either currently enrolled in Learn to Skate classes at South Suburban Sports Complex and/or Family Sports Center AND/OR be working consistently with a staff coach at SSSC or FSC.

b. Skaters are required to stay enrolled in Learn to Skate classes at South Suburban Sports Complex and/or Family Sports Center from November 2026 - April 2027 to participate in the 2027 show AND/OR be working consistently with a staff coach at SSSC or FSC.
c. Skaters must have a Launchpad membership with DCFSC. If they do not have a Launchpad membership, SOI will get them signed up for one after registration if they do not have one currently.

3. **Associate Member Skaters** of DCFSC can be added to our waitlist. If we have open spots after registration closes the skater will be notified and given the option to register for the show. The skater must also meet the following requirements:
    a. Must be an Associate Member of Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club (DCFSC) **AND**
    b. The skater must train the majority of the time at South Suburban Sports Complex and/or Family Sports Center **AND**
    c. The skater must be working with a staff coach at South Suburban Sports Complex and/or Family Sports Center.

4. **Equal Edges Athletes:**
    a. Equal Edges athletes must be a member of DCFSC.
    b. Equal Edges athletes must be a current member of the Equal Edges group.
    c. Athletes cannot self propel during practice or performance. Each athlete will have an assigned partner.
    d. Equal Edges athletes are NOT required to attend auditions.

5. **Adult Skaters:**
    a. Adult skaters are defined as a skater that has graduated high school and is over the age of 18.
    b. Adult skaters must be a member of DCFSC.
    c. Adult skaters are NOT required to attend auditions.

6. All skaters must be registered by the registration deadline and attend auditions in order to be eligible to participate in the show. No late registrations will be accepted after registration closes on *November 8, 2026* or we reach 200 skaters.

7. The SOI Committee will check and verify that each skater meets ALL the eligibility criteria.

8. All skaters that are or will turn 18 years old during the show season (March - April 2027) must complete the SafeSport certification course. These must be completed before the first rehearsal on *March 20, 2027*. If the skater turns 18 after March 20th but before or during the weekend of the show, the skater will need to complete the SafeSport certification course on the day after they turn 18.

9. Adult skaters who are partnered with underage skaters, per US Figure Skating SkateSafe and SafeSport requirements, are required to complete a background check and complete the

SafeSport certificated training. Showtime on Ice will cover costs for all background checks deemed necessary because of casting.

CASTING CRITERIA FOR SHOWTIME ON ICE

- A skater's singles or pattern dance test level will be utilized in casting.
- *October 9, 2026* is the deadline for all in-person test results. This means the test must be posted as passed on the USFS website by October 9, 2026.
- *October 26, 2026* is the deadline for all test results for virtual. This means the test must be posted as passed on the USFS website on or before October 26, 2026.
- Dance equivalency to singles testing levels is below and has been determined by Showtime on Ice, a USFS judge and appropriate dance instructors. The Dance to Singles equivalency is not an official USFS chart but has been determined by the show Directors as the best representation of skill equivalency for casting purposes. The skater must have passed all dances included in the listed dance level to move to the next level.
- A skater cast based on their Dance Test level must also have passed their Skating Skills Test at the same level. For example, a skater who has passed Juvenile Dance Test must also have passed Juvenile Skating Skills to be cast at the Juvenile level.

Level in Pattern Dance & Skating Skills	**Casting Level in Singles**	**Level in Pattern Dance & Skating Skills**	**Casting Level in Singles**
Preliminary Level *(Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues)* And Preliminary Skating Skills	Preliminary Singles	Silver Level *(American Waltz, Tango, Rocker Foxtrot)* And Silver Skating Skills	Silver Singles
Pre-Bronze Level *(Swing Dance, Cha-Cha, Fiesta Tango)* And Pre-Bronze Skating Skills	Pre-Bronze Singles	Pre-Gold Level *(Kilian, Blues, Paso Doble, Starlight Waltz)* And Pre-Gold Skating Skills	Pre-Gold Singles
Bronze Level *(Hickory Hoedown, Willow Waltz, Ten-Fox)* And Bronze Skating Skills	Bronze Singles	Gold Level (Viennese Waltz, Westminster Waltz, Quickstep, Argentine Tango) And Gold Skating Skills	Gold Singles
Pre-Silver Level *(Fourteenstep, European Waltz, Foxtrot)* And Pre-Silver Skating Skills	Pre-Silver Singles		

CASTING

The casting committee includes the Directors, Casting Coaches, Committee and other club representatives.

- Auditions attendance is expected. If a skater is unable to attend they must contact the SOI Committee by email info@showtimeonice.com prior to the audition date to be excused.
- Showtime on Ice reserves the right to cast a skater in any role that the directors and casting committee feels best to tell the story. Skaters may be cast as an animal, flowers, stars, etc. and female skaters may be cast as a male character. Some characters may be required to wear wigs or hairpieces. These items are non-negotiable, as are any other costume pieces.
- Showtime on Ice does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of gender, gender expression, race, color, religion, or national origin, in any of its activities including casting roles.
- Skaters should wear their favorite competition or testing dress/outfit for auditions. Skaters must wear their hair secured back and off the face. Do NOT dress as a specific character for our show themes.
- Named character roles are cast based on skating level and audition. If a skater is cast as a named character role in one half of the show they will be cast in a group number for the other half. The show committee has the right to determine the needs of the show and to decide which half of the show the skaters will be assigned.
- Learn to Skate participants will be cast in the first half of the show only. Pre-Preliminary and above skaters will be cast in both halves of the show.

STARS OF THE SHOW

The tradition of the group number, Stars of the Show, is reserved for our highest level skaters as outlined below. The Directors reserve the right to alter the format of the Stars of the Show group at any time before auditions, after auditions, and/or during the rehearsals of the show based on the number of skaters year to year.

1. Skaters at the Silver Singles, Pattern Dance or Pairs Testing Level are eligible for Stars of the Show. To be eligible skaters also need to be in 8th-12th grade and must be 13 years old or older on or before *October 1, 2026*.
    a. If a show year has low numbers of skaters at the Silver level and above then the Directors have the discretion of adding skaters at the Pre-Silver level.
    b. The tradition will continue that all skaters Silver level and above will have their name announced in the opening group number of Stars of the Show. If Pre-Silver level

skaters are added they will be included in the opening group number but their names will not be announced.

2. A skater that tests Dance must have passed the Silver Pattern Dance Test AND Silver Skating Skills Test to be eligible for Stars of the Show.
3. Skaters will be cast in Stars of the Show based on the level at auditions. After our audition/casting date (November 14, 2026) we will NOT move skaters from lower levels into the Stars of the Show number.
4. Pair skaters who meet the testing level and wish to participate in Stars of the Show number must have a pair partner.
5. If Pre-Silver is included, skaters that wish to be eligible to have their name announced for Stars of the Show must have passed the Silver Test Level in Singles, Pattern Dance/Skating Skills, or Pairs by the March 1, 2027 or IJS test at Denver Invitational in March 2027.
6. After registration closes and the Directors have reviewed the number of skaters in each level the decision of who will be included in Stars of the Show will be announced with the 2027 cast announcement.
7. **Important**: A separate skating dress/outfit is required for the Stars of the Show number and needs to be provided by the skater.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Skaters and parents/guardians must recognize that participation in all the activities associated with U.S. Figure Skating, Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club, and Showtime on Ice is an honor and privilege that carries certain responsibilities. They must agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating, Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club, and Showtime on Ice.

Behavior and Respect

- Showtime on Ice skaters and parents/guardians are expected to show respect for himself/herself, other skaters, show Directors, show choreographers, show junior choreographers, staff coaches, Showtime on Ice Committee members, show volunteer leaders and rink management personnel.
- Complete cooperation and appropriate behavior are expected during all rehearsals and performances. This includes:
    - Compliance of all rules and SafeSport guidelines.
    - Compliance of all backstage rules including, but not limited to; no jumping, spinning, or practicing backstage during rehearsals or performances, misuse or mishandling of props during rehearsals or backstage during performances.

    - Compliance of all Holding Rooms rules and guidelines.

- Skaters, parents/guardians, family members, show volunteers, friends and patrons are expected to abide by the DCFSC, SSSC rink and USFS rules & policies and SafeSport & SkateSafe policies during all of the Showtime on Ice activities, auditions, events, rehearsals, and show weekend. For specific club policies, please see Code of Conduct/SafeSport protocol from DCFSC (https://www.dcfsc.org/history-bylaws) as well as U.S. Figure Skating (https://www.usfigureskating.org/us-figure-skating-policies-and-governance-documents).
- All SafeSport/SkateSafe policies apply to every skater, parent, show volunteer, family member, friends and patrons. Please show respect for all show policies and leaders. If someone chooses to not follow the DCFSC, SOI, and/or SafeSport/SkateSafe rules & policies we will follow our disciplinary consequences and process.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Zero Tolerance Policy:

- Mocking, derogatory, mean-spirited and/or bullying posts of any kind that reference Showtime on Ice, its cast, choreographers, directors, volunteers and any other person or entity involved with the show.
- Posted photos that are taken in holding rooms or any other area of the rink that is deemed off-limits per SafeSport.
- Participants agree not to post, publish, or distribute any negative content, derogatory comments, or unauthorized photos online regarding Showtime on Ice or its skaters & coaches.
- If someone chooses to not follow the DCFSC, SOI, and/or SafeSport/SkateSafe rules & policies we will follow our disciplinary consequences and process.

All skaters must adhere to these policies. Social media should be used exclusively to promote the show and post positive, respectful content & photos of fellow cast members and coaches.

REHEARSAL PROTOCOL AND ATTENDANCE

- REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
    - Skaters are expected to know the rehearsal schedule. We have a limited amount of rehearsal time so we expect all skaters to attend all rehearsals.
    - Rehearsals begin the weekend of *March 20, 2027* and go through *April 22, 2027*. A commitment by the skater to attend rehearsals for both leading parts/character roles and group numbers is required.

    - If the skater must miss a rehearsal, it is required to be communicated to the SOI Committee in advance via email at info@showtimeonice.com with the reason the skater will be missing rehearsal.
        - The Directors and the SOI Committee will decide on a case by case basis if an absence is excused. We will let the skater know after the reason has been reviewed.
        - Missing rehearsals for other private skating lessons will not be excused.
        - If a skater misses too many rehearsals, even if they are excused, it could result in a lead role being taken away or the skater may be removed from the 2027 show. This will be evaluated on a case by case basis.
- If a skater misses rehearsal and it is unexcused the Directors and SOI Committee will follow the process below and the SOI code of conduct/behavior disciplinary consequences and process.
    - If a skater misses a rehearsal and does not email the SOI Committee at info@showtimeonice.com in advance it will automatically be unexcused no matter the reason.
    - 1 missed rehearsal that is an unexcused absence will result in an email warning.
    - 2 missed rehearsals that are unexcused absences will result in an email and removal from the 2027 show.
- Rehearsal attire will consist of proper skating clothes and hair pulled back.
- Respect the props and follow all directions and rules stated by the Backstage Coach/Manager.
- There may be time spent standing around and waiting during a rehearsal. Skaters are expected to pay attention to coaches and choreography.
- Only skaters cast in the scene being rehearsed may be on the ice during and around rehearsal times unless given permission by a director or show committee member.
- Safety on and off the ice is a major concern. Skaters are expected (no exceptions) to follow cues and their set choreography. At various times, there may be small groups and soloists on the ice. The timing of this detailed choreography is carefully designed with safety and show appeal in mind. It is imperative that skaters pay attention to activity going on all around them during rehearsals and performances. Non-compliance will not be tolerated.

COSTUMES

- Costumes are not designed to serve the purpose/function of a competition dress/outfit.
- Costumes are ordered with the vision of dedicated seamstresses, show directors and Showtime on Ice committee members.

- Costumes are to be worn as directed by the costume committee. This includes all accessories and wigs.
- Lost costume parts cannot be replaced.
- Skaters are required to attend costume fittings as announced.
- Costumes will be fitted but are not meant to be worn with the same seamless/custom fit as dresses/outfits worn for competitions.
- Costumes are meant to last for dress rehearsals and show performances. Any life given to costumes after the show is a bonus!
- Costumes may not be altered in any manner. Skaters may not add accessories, wear different tights or personal boot covers as part of their costume. The only exception will be a body leo or gloves if they match the skin tone of the skater.
- If a skater chooses to not wear any part of their costume when asked, for dress rehearsal and/or a performance the Directors and SOI Committee will follow the SOI code of conduct/behavior disciplinary consequences and process.

DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCES AND PROCESS

This includes but is not limited to the Code of Conduct, Social Media, Attendance & Rehearsal Protocol and Costumes. Disciplinary actions will be recorded and tracked. Disciplinary actions will carry over from one show year to the next.

Enforcement: Occurrences will be investigated and handled fairly and consistently, with the specific consequences determined by the nature of the situation. The disciplinary process will be followed.

- If a show Director, coach, SOI Committee member and/or DCFSC board member feels the skater violated SafeSport/SkateSafe rules or policies, SafeSport will be contacted immediately. The skater will be suspended from the show until resolution comes from SafeSport/SkateSafe, USFS and/or the DCFSC board.

Consequences:

- **Warnings**: A verbal and/or written warning.
- **Meeting with warnings**: A meeting with a show Director, SOI Committee member and/or DCFSC board member.
- **Loss of privileges:** Loss of character roles and/or group parts.
- **Suspension**: A temporary suspension from the show.
- **Removal from the show**: Skater removed from the show for that show year and/or permanently.

Disciplinary Process:

- **Step 1:** A verbal and/or written warning.
- **Step 2:** A written warning and a meeting with a Director and SOI Committee member.
- **Step 3:** A written warning and a meeting with a Director, SOI Committee member and DCFSC board member to discuss and decide what should happen to the skater which may include further disciplinary action up to and including removal from the show for that year and/or permanently.

VOLUNTEER POLICY

Showtime on Ice is a non-profit show, produced by Denver Colorado Figure Skating Club. The show is organized by dedicated and appointed Volunteer Committee Chairs. The event is run almost entirely by volunteers. Without the help and dedication of volunteer families, there would be no Showtime on Ice!

- Each family has **required volunteer** hours to fulfill during the show. ALL families are expected to volunteer.
    - Families with skaters Pre-Preliminary and higher are required to volunteer **(10) hours**.
    - Families with Learn to Skate only skaters are required to volunteer **(6) hours**.
    - If families have both LTS and Pre-Pre or above skaters their volunteer hours will default to **(10) hours**.

- If you are unable to volunteer, you may add a waiver fee of $250 when completing registration. This will help SOI fill those jobs that require SafeSport certification and background checks. Please note that this is a strictly SOI policy and does not fulfill the volunteer requirement for DCFSC.

- All SafeSport/SkateSafe policies apply to every show volunteer. If someone chooses to not follow the DCFSC, SOI, and/or SafeSport/SkateSafe rules & policies we will follow our disciplinary policies.

- The SOI committee, directors, and/or DCFSC board reserves the right to remove a volunteer from their position at any time if they deem a volunteer is either not fulfilling their duties, responsibilities, or is not following show or SafeSport/SkateSafe policies.

- The SOI committee, directors, and/or DCFSC board reserves the right to determine if someone is the right fit for any volunteer position. If they feel someone is not the right fit for any reason they reserve the right to remove a volunteer from that position and move them into another volunteer spot.

- Per USFS policies we will require that all volunteer positions that are positions of authority and/or work one-on-one with skaters have SafeSport training and background checks. Such positions are holding rooms, backstage help, costumes, floaters, runners and any other positions the DCFSC SafeSport committee deems as required.

- If a family does not complete their required number of volunteer hours they will receive a prorated invoice amount to be paid by *May 15, 2027*. If a family does not pay their invoice their skater(s) will not be allowed to participate in the next show until the invoice is paid.
- If a person chooses to back out of their volunteer position within 3 weeks of the Show (as of *April 2, 2027*) and not work with the volunteer coordinator to find a new position, they will be charged a late volunteer waiver fee of $500. When someone backs out of their volunteer spot at the last minute it puts the show and the volunteer coordinators in a bind to get positions covered. This fee will help if it becomes necessary to pay for a position to be covered at the last minute. The family will receive an invoice to be paid by May 15, 2027. If a family does not pay their invoice their skater(s) will not be allowed to participate in the next show until the invoice is paid.
- Only the Volunteer Coordinator or a SOI Committee Member can waive a volunteer from their required hours without a fee.
- High school students may receive volunteer credit towards their graduation requirement by assisting with the show. A Director or Committee Member can sign off
- Junior Choreographers hours can count towards family volunteer hours.
- The Showtime on Ice Volunteer Coordinator can help families find a good fit based on time and talent if needed. If families do not sign up for a volunteer job(s) to meet the required hours the Volunteer Coordinator will contact the family to help find an open spot for you to volunteer.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 18, 2026 Registration Opens (subject to change, check website for updates)

November 8, 2026 Registration Closes (or when we reach 200 registrations)

November 14, 2026 Audition Day at South Suburban Sports Complex

January 15, 2027 Final Balances Due (Invoices will be sent 1/1/27)

January 10, 2027 Cast Photo Day (photos for show program) at Family Sports Center
This is mandatory - there is no make up day for photos.

February 7, 2027 Costume Fittings at Family Sports Center

March 20 – April 22, 2027 Showtime on Ice Rehearsals

- **April 19-22, 2027** Show Week Rehearsals
- **April 21 & 22, 2027** Full Dress Rehearsals

April 23-25, 2027 Show Performances (Friday 7:00 pm, Saturday 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm, Sunday 1:30 pm)

SHOW FORMAT & REHEARSALS:

- Those in the first half of the show only, plan to rehearse on Saturdays or Sundays between the dates of March 20 - April 18, 2027. You will not know whether it is a Saturday or Sunday until after Casting and after the rehearsal schedule has been completed. The rehearsal schedule will come out in January.
- For those in both halves of the show, plan to rehearse on Saturdays or Sundays AND Tuesdays or Thursdays nights between the dates of March 20 - April 18, 2027. You will not know whether it is a Saturday or Sunday and Tuesday or Thursday until after Casting and after the rehearsal schedule has been completed. The rehearsal schedule will come out in January.
- Everyone needs to attend the week of the show : April 19 - 25, 2027 - for rehearsals, dress rehearsals and performances.

SHOW CANCELLATION POLICY

A non-refundable payment is required at the time of registration. All final balances must be paid in full by January 15, 2027.

- Payment is collected by STRIPE online.
- There will be NO Refunds issued to skaters who withdraw from the show for ANY reason.
- There will be NO Refunds issued if a skater is removed from the show by the directors, committee, and/or the DCFSC board due to but not limited to not following our code of conduct, policies and rules outlined in this document.
- If the Show is canceled PRIOR to Audition Day (November 14, 2026) - 100% of the deposit will be refunded.
- If the Show is canceled AFTER Audition Day between November 15, 2026 - December 31, 2026 - 50% of the deposit will be refunded. Due to the fact that costs have already incurred.
- If the show is canceled between January 1, 2027 - April 1, 2027 - 20% of show registration fees will be refunded. Due to the fact that costs have already incurred.
- If the show is canceled anytime after April 1, 2027 - 0% of show registration fees will be refunded. Due to the fact that costs have already incurred.