



The classes in Burnsville's Learn To Skate Program



Skating Skills

These classes are designed for those who want to learn how to skate, want to become an advanced figure skater or hockey player, or for skaters who want to skate recreationally.

P.A.L.S. (Parent and Little Skater, 3 years and older) - Come join us in the Candy Corps! This class will teach the child and parent how to skate and teach the parents how to teach their child to skate. It's a great class for the beginning skater.

Beginners (4 years and older) - The beginning classes, "Critters Can Skate", have 5 different levels in them ranging from Brave Beetle to Soaring Eagle. These classes will teach them the following skills: basic marching, getting up from a fall, dips, scooters, frog hops, backward skating, bunny hops, 2-foot & 1-foot glides, and pivots.

Adults (18 years and older) - This class is designed for the beginner skater up to the advanced. We will teach you either figure skating or hockey skating skills, which ever you would like. This class offers a more one-on-one lesson structure.

Private Lessons - This is available to skaters of any age and ability. You receive a 20-minute private lesson and 40 minutes of practice time.

Figure Skating Skills

If you or your child is interested in becoming a better figure skater, these are the classes for you:

Advanced Beginners (Cosmic Skater 1-4) - This class adds on to the basic skills taught in the beginner classes. The skater will work on the Earth, Sun, Moon & Stars, and Wind badges. They will learn the following: swizzles, forward crossovers, lunges, spirals, 2-foot spins, waltz jumps, and more!

Intermediates (Cosmic Skater 5 & 6) - The skaters in this class work on the Fire and Ice badges. They will learn forward 1-foot 3-turns, 1-foot spins, back crossovers, forward edges, and more!

Crystal Freestyle - This class is divided into Turquoise, Coral, Amber, and Onyx badges. In these levels they work on half jumps, 1-foot spins, footwork, backward edges, and field moves.

Advanced Crystal Freestyle - This class is divided into 7 levels, ranging from Amethyst to the Aurora Borealis. They will work on advanced footwork, spins, whole jumps, and field moves.

Private Lessons -- This is available to skaters of any age and ability. You receive a 20-minute private lesson and 40 minutes of practice time.

Hockey Skating Skills

If you or your child is interested in playing hockey or brushing up on your skills, these classes are for you:

Hockey Tracks 1(4 years & older, Hockey helmets are required) - This class is for our beginning hockey player. It is divided into 5 levels ranging from Brave Bear to Breezer Bobcat. Some of the skills covered are: correct hockey position, forward skating, hockey hops, backward c-cuts, snowplow and hockey stops, and forward ins and outs.

Hockey Tracks 2 (Hockey helmets are required) - This class adds on to the Hockey Tracks 1 skills and has 4 levels ranging from Referee Raccoon to Face Off Fox. Here are some of the skills: grip jumps, power hockey turns, quick starts, back c-cuts with back snowplow stop, 2-foot 3-turns, step-outs, and hockey strides.

Hockey Tracks 3 (Hockey helmets are required) - This is for the advanced hockey player and has 5 levels ranging from Power Play Panther to Slap Shot Shark. At this level your skater will work on: Stationary jumps, quick starts and stops forward and backward, forward and backward crossovers, back pumps, back 1 foot glides, and edge work.

Private Lessons - This is available to skaters of any age and ability. You receive a 20-minute private lesson and 40-minute practice time.

What class does my skater sign up for?

If your skater is 3 years old - you may sign up for a P.A.L.S. class. Skaters must be at least 4 to be in classes on their own.

If your skater has never skated before, & is 4 yrs. old - you may sign up for a P.A.L.S., Beginners or Hockey Tracks 1 class.

If your skater can skate - you may sign up for a P.A.L.S., Beginners, Hockey Tracks 1 class or the class listed on their last test sheet (if lessons were taken at the Burnsville Ice Center). You may also call the rink at 952-895-4657 for an assessment of the skater.

If you are 18 years old or older - you may sign up for the adult class or any class that is appropriate for your level.

If your skater has taken lessons at another rink - call the rink at 952-895-4657 and we will try to assess the skater over the phone so they are placed in the correct class. We can also try to schedule a time to assess them on the ice if necessary.