

Pixies Competitive Skating Team

2024 / 2025

The Pixies skating team is for skaters that fall within the Pre Alpha – Freestyle 2 levels, ages 5 – 11yrs old. The Pixies curriculum builds on skating skills learned in the skate school, teaches the fundamentals of choreography and skating to music, allows for peer collaboration and competition, and offers the experience of competing and performing to new and upcoming skaters.

Skaters from other clubs / Learn to Skate programs are welcome to join!

Skaters MAY be split into 2 or 3 groups within the team based on skill level and experience. Over the semester, the team will learn and train a 4 minute program that is set to music. Costumes that fit theme will be provided, and the program will be performed at our annual home competition (March 2025) and our annual Spring Ice Show (May 2025).

Pixies practices are on Tuesdays from 4:45 – 5:30pm. There is a Fall session and a Winter session. Skaters must commit to both sessions in order to join the team. There are two payments required for the team: a Fall 2024 payment (due at the time of initial registration) and a Winter 2025 payment (due before the Winter session begins in January 2025).

Fall 2024: Tuesdays, 10/1/24 – 12/10/24 *NO 11/26 practice. Winter 2025: Tuesdays, 1/7/25 – 3/11/25. Fee per session: \$335.00 (Fall & Winter). Skaters will pay \$335.00 for Fall at registration, and then again in the Winter for the second semester. These fees include ice time, coaching, choreography, costumes, props, competition entry fee, and ice show registration fee (for the Pixies number only). THERE ARE NO REFUNDS.

Skaters on the team are required to also sign up for a Learn to Skate class (at the current level) on Tuesday or Saturday, or be enrolled in private lessons with a coach. This requirement ensures that skaters continue make progress and develop their individual skills.

Other Important Information

- Practices are 45 minutes. 30 minutes of each practice session will be on the Studio Rink, followed by 15 minutes of performance practice on the South Rink (big rink).
- **Attendance Policy:** Unless a skater is sick or has a conflict with school or a religious event, they are expected to be at practice. Because this is a TEAM, skaters will need to be responsible for contributing to the success of the team.
- Behavior Expectations: Coaches will discuss the need for respectful and orderly behavior with the team. Respect for the coaches and teammates, along with non-disruptive behavior is a MUST from everyone. To ensure that practice time is productive and healthy for all, disruptive team members may be asked to “sit out” for part / all of a practice.
- The Pixies will have two big performance opportunities: Bold Ice (our annual competition) and the annual Ice Show. Skaters are expected to perform in both events.
- BOLD ICE: Feb 28 – Mar 2, 2025. This competition is held at Parade Ice Garden. There will only be one performance that weekend. The actual event date & time are TBD, but we anticipate it to be the evening of Friday, Feb 28. We will release that information as soon as we have it.
- Annual Spring Ice Show – 3 Shows: 5/2 (7pm) & 5/3 (2pm & 7pm). There will also be a dress rehearsal on Thursday, 5/1. This event is also hosted at Parade Ice Garden. There will be 1 or 2 “refresher” practices (after Pixies practices end in March) to prepare for the shows.

Schedule Summary for the Family Calendar:

- Tuesdays, 4:45 – 5:30pm: 10/1/24 – 12/10/24, and 1/7/25 – 3/11/25. All regularly scheduled Tuesday practices are conducted @ Parade Ice Garden.
- Late February 2025: Dress Rehearsal for Bold Ice Competition @ Parade Ice Garden
- Feb 28 – Mar 2, 2025: Bold Ice Competition @ Parade Ice Garden
- Late April: one or two “brush up” practices for the ice show @ Parade Ice Garden
- May 1, 2025: Ice Show Dress Rehearsal @ Parade Ice Garden
- May 2, 2025: Ice Show #1 – 7pm @ Parade Ice Garden
- May 3, 2025: Ice Show #2 – 2pm, Ice Show #3 – 7pm @ Parade Ice Garden