

2008-2009 Michigan High School Figure Skating Team Competition Series

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Dates & Locations:

See page six for competition dates and locations for each district.

Sanctioning:

Sanctioned by US Figure Skating
Hosted by the Detroit Metro Skating Council
Chief Referee: Laura Maki.

Closing Dates and Entry Fees:

Deposit - Team Entry Form and \$100 non-refundable deposit due by October 15, 2008 to guarantee district assignment.

Regular Season Team Entry Fees - \$360.00 per Level A Team, \$360.00 per Level B Team, \$270.00 per Level C Team. Must be paid in full by November 15, 2008.

State Championship Competition - \$120.00 per Level A Team, \$120.00 per Level B Team, \$70.00 for 1st individual event, \$30.00 for 2nd individual event. Must be paid in full by March 1, 2009.

Optional Invitational Competition - See Separate Announcement and Entry Form to follow.

All entries fees are non-refundable and must be paid by check or money order payable to Detroit Metro Skating Council. One check or money order is required per team (no cash and no individual skater checks). No late entries will be accepted. A fee of \$30 will be charged for all returned checks.

Test Levels:

Skaters must compete at their registered US FIGURE SKATING or ISI test level or one level higher as of November 15, 2008.

US Figure Skating Freestyle or Moves-in-the-field Test and ISI Test Equivalents

Beginner - ISI Freestyle 1 or 2	Pre-Preliminary - ISI Freestyle 3 & 4
Preliminary - ISI Freestyle 4, 5 & 6	Pre-Juvenile - ISI Freestyle 5, 6 & 7
Juvenile - ISI Freestyle 6, 7 & 8	Intermediate - ISI Freestyle 7 & 8
Novice - ISI Freestyle 8 & 9	Junior - ISI Freestyle 9 & 10
Senior - ISI Freestyle 10	

Team Scoring:

Teams will receive points for each event based on the number of teams competing with the first place team receiving the highest number of points and the last place team receiving one point. Points from each event at the three regular season team competitions will be totaled to determine the placement of teams for District awards and advancement to the State Championship. At the State Championship, points for each team/Individual event will be totaled in the same manner to determine Team and Individual Team event awards.

Advancing to State Championship:

The top three teams from districts with 7 or more teams and the top two teams from districts with 6 or less teams for Level A and Level B will advance to the State Championship. **Level C teams do not advance to the State Championship.** *If any of the qualifying teams from a district withdraws, the next highest ranked team will advance to the championship.*

Awards:

Regular Season Team Events – First, Second and Third place medals will be awarded to the teams with the highest placement for each event for each level. Only skaters who participated in the event receive medals.

District Team Awards – At the conclusion of the final regular season team event, trophies will be awarded to the First, Second and Third place teams from each district for each level based on the accumulated point total from the three regular season events. First, Second and Third place District medals will be awarded to each member of these teams.

Championship Event – Championship medals will be awarded for each team event the same as the regular season events. Trophies will be awarded to the First, Second and Third place teams for each level based on the accumulated point total from the team events. First, Second and Third place Championship medals will be awarded to each member of these teams. First, Second and Third place championship medals will be awarded to individuals with the highest placement for each Team Individual event. Trophies will be awarded to the First, Second and Third place teams with the highest Team Individual point total.

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Rules & Eligibility

1. The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules as stated in the current US Figure Skating Rule 1040 under "Special Competitions." This announcement will take precedence if there is a conflict with the US Figure Skating Rulebook.
2. The team must be a US Figure Skating School Affiliated Club (SAC). The SAC application form can be downloaded from the US Figure Skating website at usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=67. The form should be completed and returned to US Figure Skating. Please submit a copy of the SAC application or SAC Certificate for proof of membership along with your application to competition chair.
3. A team will consist of at least three skaters from one high school.
4. Each team must have high school administrative or athletic department approval.
5. High schools may combine as per MHSAA rules. All combined teams must be listed on the team application form. If combined teams are **not** from the same school district, the following rules apply: An administrator from each school must sign the team entry form. All skaters from the combined schools must be allowed to skate on the team. Combined teams not adhering to these guidelines will be disqualified. The competition committee reserves the right to limit the number of schools and/or skaters that may combine to form a team.
6. The competition committee will grant final approval of a team's membership.
7. All skaters who enter must be in at least 9th grade and be enrolled as a student in the high school as per MHSAA rules.
8. Home-schooled skaters may not participate on a high school team unless they attend that school and receive a transcript for a minimum of four courses per semester.
9. Home-schooled students may form a combined team under a home-school sponsor.
10. All skaters must be registered with the US Figure Skating or ISI in order to qualify for competition entry and provide their membership number on attached forms.
11. Each team member must be a member in good standing with the US Figure Skating or ISI and their local member club.
12. A skater will not be allowed to participate unless they have a signed Skater Entry Form on file with the Registrar at least one week prior to the competition.
13. A skater may not accept prize money in any amount or merchandise having a value greater than \$25 for any skating competition.
14. Team or individual byes will not be granted for any competition including the State Championship as per MHSAA rules. Except in the case of injury, a skater must have competed in at least one regular season team event in order to be eligible to skate in the team event at the State Championship.
15. The committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries, eliminate events due to insufficient entries, and combine or divide groups as necessary.
16. Late entries will not be accepted.
17. No skaters may be added after the November 15, 2008 deadline.
18. No Event will be cancelled unless there is a state of Emergency declared in the area where the rink is located, even if school districts of participating teams have closed or cancelled events. Points will be awarded based on teams participating.
19. Each participating team will need to provide a minimum of two volunteers and a food item for the State Championship event.
20. Team Banners are encouraged.
21. No food is allowed in the locker rooms. Some Ice Arenas have rules regarding outside food. Please check with the Ice Arena before bringing in food for your team.

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Team Events**

Level A

Spins	Jumps	Moves
<i>No Restrictions</i>	<i>No Restrictions</i>	<i>No Restrictions</i>
1) Comp 1 - Solo Sit (min 6 revs in pos) Comp 2 - Bielman or Upright - No Layback (min 6 revs in position) Comp 3 - Camel (min 6 revs in position)	1) Comp 1 - Solo Double Flip or Toe-Loop Comp 2 - Solo Double Loop or Salchow Comp 3 - Solo Double Lutz or Toe-Loop	1) Spiral Sequence – Serpentine or Circular. See US Figure Skating rulebook for description of spirals which may be included.
2) Layback Spin (minimum 6 revolutions in position)	2) Comp 1 & 2 - Single Axel Comp 3 – Single or Double Axel	2) Footwork Sequence – straight line, circular or serpentine, using full ice surface (including full range of steps, turns and edges).
3) Flying Spin - May include change of position (minimum 6 revs in position)	3) Combination Jump – Double/Double or Triple/Double Jump	3) Spiral, Ina Bauer or Spread Eagle
4) Combination Spin – Must include 3 positions and at least 1 change of foot (minimum 5 revolutions per foot)	4) Split Jump Sequence (3-4 jumps - Positions optional)	4) Back Rocker/Choctaw Sequence (Novice pattern 4) or Power Pulls (Junior pattern 4 - both sides)

Level B

Spins	Jumps	Moves
<i>Must not have passed Intermediate Freestyle</i>	<i>Must not have passed Intermediate Freestyle</i>	<i>Must not have passed Novice Moves</i>
1) Comp 1 - Camel (minimum 3 revs) Comp 2 - Layback or Upright (min 4 revs) Comp 3 - Sit (minimum 4 revolutions)	1) Comp 1 - Solo Single Flip or Salchow Comp 2 - Solo Single Lutz or ToeLoop Comp 3 – Solo Single or Dbl Salchow	1) Ina Bauer, Back Spiral or Spread Eagle (one position only, may change edge; may not change feet or combine above).
2) Forward Scratch Spin (minimum 4 revolutions)	2) Single Loop or Axel	2) Footwork Sequence – Circle or Straight Line - NO Serpentine (includes 3 turns and Mohawks)
3) Back Spin – Position optional (minimum 4 revolutions)	3) Combination Jump – Single/Single or Double/Single Jump	3) Forward Spiral
4) Combination Spin - 1 change of foot (minimum 3 revolutions per foot)	4) Split or Stag Jump	4) 5-step Mohawk Sequence (PreJuv pattern 6 - 1 side) or Backward power 3-turns (Juvenile pattern 3)

Level C

Must Not have Passed Pre-Juvenile Moves or Preliminary Freestyle

SPINS	JUMPS	MOVES
1) 2 Foot Spin (minimum 4 revolutions)	1) ½ Jump	1) Forward Spiral
2) Forward Upright Spin (min 4 revs)	2) Single Toe-Loop or Salchow	2) Back Crossovers in Figure Eight Pattern
3) Sit Spin (minimum 2 revs in position)	3) Combination Jump - Single/Single (no Axel, waltz jump ok)	3) Footwork Sequence – ½ ice Straight Line only

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Team Event Rules

1. If there are not at least two Level C teams in a district, skaters will have the option to move up to Level B.
2. Skaters must compete at the appropriate level, or one level higher based on their US Figure Skating or ISI freestyle and moves-in-the-field test levels as of November 15, 2008 (ISI level equivalency on page one).
3. Skaters may move between levels at any given event as long as they qualify for that level. Skaters may only compete in one level for Jumps/Spins and one level for Moves at each event. In order to qualify for the State Championship, a skater must have participated at that level in at least one regular season team event.
4. Males and females will skate on the same team.
5. Level A and B Teams must have a minimum of two skaters on their roster. No skater may perform more than 50% of the total number of elements.
6. Teams will be required to submit a Team Event Roster at check-in at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each team competition. All skaters on the team roster must be listed. If a skater is not participating due to absence, injury, or discipline, please indicate the reason in the notes column. Once the roster has been turned in, substitutions only under extenuating circumstances with Referee approval.
7. Only one skater per team may warm up each element.
8. Each team will be allowed one retry per team per level (A, B, C) at Team Competitions. The second attempt has to be the exact same element as the first attempt by the same skater. The second attempt will count regardless of whether or not it was better than the first attempt. The skater will signal for a retry immediately by raising their hand. The Referee will raise their hand in return in acknowledgement of the request for a retry.
9. Male skaters may substitute a cross-foot spin for the layback spin.
10. If a team does not have a skater capable of or eligible to perform an element, the team will receive no credit for that element.
11. If a team cannot participate at one of the district competitions, that team will receive no points for that competition.
12. Where an element varies for each regular season competition, the team may choose any of the elements listed for the state championship.
13. There will be no tie-breaker for regular season events. If there is a tie for first place at the State Championship, a runoff consisting of one jump, one spin and once move will take place between the tied teams. The elements will be posted the day of the event.

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Individual Events

Music:

Cassette tapes or CDs, cued and ready, marked with skater's name, school, level, and program length. Tapes or CDs must be turned in at registration. **Bring a back-up tape.**

Eligibility:

Skaters may not skate below their US Figure Skating or ISI test level as of November 15, 2008, but may skate up one level higher (ISI level equivalency on page one). Skaters may compete in a maximum of two individual events, but are not allowed to compete at two different levels in the same event category. Artistic Duet and Artistic Solo are considered different categories.

A skater may not participate in the Freeskating event at the State Championship if they participated in a Freeskating event at US Figure Skating Nationals or US Figure Skating Junior Nationals during the High School Season. A skater may not participate in the Freeskating, Dance, or Artistic events at the State Championship if they have participated in the same event at more than two competitions outside of the High School Program during the High School Season.

FREESKATING EVENT

Program times include a range of times to allow skaters that wish to compete one level higher the flexibility to do so without having to use a different program for the High School Competitions.

Long Program	Time	Rules
Beginner	1 – 1 ½ minutes	Test Track (see attachment)
Pre-Preliminary/Preliminary	1 ½ minutes	Test Track (see attachment) — Use Preliminary rules
Pre-Juvenile	1 ½ – 2 minutes	Test Track (see attachment)
Juvenile	2 – 2 ¼ minutes	Test Track (see attachment)
Intermediate/Novice	2 ¼ – 3 min. Ladies 2 ¼ – 3 ½ min. Men	Test Track (see attachment) — Use Novice rules
Junior/Senior	3 – 4 min. Ladies 3 ½ – 4 ½ min. Men	Test Track (see attachment) — Use Senior rules
Intermediate	2 ¼ – 2 ½ minutes 2 ¼ – 3 min. Men	Competitive – see rule #3672
Novice/Senior	3 – 4 min. Ladies 3 ½ – 4 ½ min. Men	Competitive – see rule #3643

Deductions in competitive freeskating programs are according to US Figure Skating rule 3633.

SOLO DANCE EVENT

If a skater has passed the first Dance at a level, they must skate at that level or one level higher.

Level	Dance	Rules	Level	Dance	Rules
Preliminary	Rhythm Blues	2 patterns	Silver	American Waltz	2 patterns
Pre-Bronze	Fiesta Tango	2 patterns	Pre-Gold	Blues	3 patterns
Bronze	Ten-Fox	2 patterns	Gold	Argentine Tango	2 patterns
Pre-Silver	Fourteenstep	3 patterns			

ARTISTIC SHOWCASE EVENT

Programs are to be skated to music and should be designed to entertain and/or emotionally move the audience. Costumes are encouraged. Hand Held Props only - must stay with the skater for the entire performance - may not be placed or tossed on the ice.

Event	Freestyle Level	Time	Rules
Artistic Solo	Beginner – Preliminary	Max 1:40 minutes	No Axels or double jumps.
Artistic Solo	Pre-Juvenile – Intermediate	Max 1:40 minutes	No double jumps.
Artistic Solo	Novice - Senior	Max 2:10 minutes	May include one double jump.
Artistic Duet	Beginner – Pre-Juvenile	Max 1:40 minutes	No Axels or double jumps.
Artistic Duet	Juvenile - Senior	Max 2:10 minutes	May include one double jump.

2008-2009 Michigan High School Figure Skating Team Competition Series Dates/Locations

Events are listed by district. Each high school will be assigned to one of five districts and must participate in the competitions designated for that district only. If possible, teams will be assigned districts closest to their high school location. Priority will be given to teams hosting competitions. Competition dates for District 4 are not listed below. District 4 is covered under a separate announcement.

<p style="text-align: center;">District 1 Team Events</p> <p>Event 1 Thursday, December 11, 2008 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm John Lindell Ice Arena, Royal Oak Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 2 Wednesday, January 7, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Detroit Skating Club, Bloomfield Hills Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 3 Thursday, February 26, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm John Lindell Ice Arena, Royal Oak Surface size 85x200</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">District 3 Team Events</p> <p>Event 1 Sunday, December 14, 2008 Time: Time: 8:00am – 12:00pm Hartland Sports Center Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 2 Monday, January 19, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Farmington Hills Ice Arena Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 3 Wednesday, February 11, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Farmington Hills Ice Arena Surface size 85x200</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">District 2 Team Events</p> <p>Event 1 Tuesday, December 9, 2008 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Dearborn Ice Skating Center Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 2 Thursday, January 8, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Dearborn Ice Skating Center Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 3 Thursday, February 19, 2009 Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm Melvindale Civic Arena Surface size 85x200</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">District 5 Team Events</p> <p>Event 1 Sunday, December 14, 2008 Time: Time: 8:30am – 12:30pm Arctic Coliseum, Chelsea Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 2 Sunday, January 11, 2009 Time: 9:00am – 1:00pm Midland Civic Arena Surface size 85x200</p> <p>Event 3 Saturday, February 21, 2009 Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm S2 Ice Arena, Kalamazoo Surface size 85x200</p>

Championship Event

Midland Civic Arena
Surface Size 85x200

Team Individual
Saturday, March 28, 2009
8:00am – 8:00pm

Team
Sunday, March 29, 2009
8:00am – 1:00pm

Invitational Team Event

Sunday, March 15, 2009
Time: Immediately following Garden City Competition
Garden City Civic Arena
Surface size 85x200

Separate Announcement and Entry Form to Follow

Maps to each event may be printed from www.arenamaps.com.

**2008-2009 MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL FIGURE SKATING TEAM COMPETITION SERIES
TEAM ENTRY FORM**

High School Name _____
High School Address _____ Phone _____
Team Nickname/Mascot _____ Team Colors _____
Date _____
Signature (athletic director or school administrator) _____

If combined team, list all participating schools. Additional athletic director signature is not required if all schools are from the same school district. Please use additional forms if necessary.

High School Name _____	Signature (athletic director or school administrator) _____	Date _____
High School Name _____	Signature (athletic director or school administrator) _____	Date _____
High School Name _____	Signature (athletic director or school administrator) _____	Date _____

Please indicate all coaches if applicable:

Team Coach #1 _____ Phone # _____ E-Mail _____
Team Coach #2 _____ Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Team Manager (parent /coach/school advisor) _____
Address _____
Phone # _____ Fax # _____ E-Mail _____

All official communication to the teams will be conducted via email to the Team Manager.

Contact Statement and Indemnity Clause:

I agree to waive and release all claims which I may have against any competition officials, the US Figure Skating, the Detroit Metro Figure Skating Council, the affiliated clubs and their officers, the arenas, the high school named above, the school district and their employees and agents, from any and all loss, damage and or injury that may be sustained at the competitions. Entries are accepted only on such conditions with full compliance to US Figure Skating rule 3222.

I will verify that the parent's signature, club permission and all information on the Skater and Team Entry Forms will be completed for every member of this team.

Signature (Team Manager) _____ Date _____

\$100 Non-Refundable Deposit must be submitted with this form by October 15, 2008 to guarantee district assignment.

**Mail completed form and payment to:
Detroit Metro Skating Council, c/o Dorothy Tank, 812 Cloverlawn, Lincoln Park, MI 48146**

Registrar: Dorothy Tank datank@wowway.com

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Team Entry Transmittal

DISTRICT# _____

_____ **Name of School**

Forms:

- ___ Copy of US Figure Skating School-Affiliated Club Membership (SAC) certificate or application.
(This form can be downloaded from the US Figure Skating website at usfigureskating.org/Programs.asp?id=67.)
- ___ Level A Team Roster
- ___ Level B Team Roster
- ___ Level C Team Roster
- ___ Skater Entry Forms

Entry Fees:

Level A - Season Entry Fees (\$360.00)	_____
Level B - Season Entry Fees (\$360.00)	_____
Level C - Season Entry Fees (\$270.00)	_____
Deposit	(<u> -100.00</u>)
Host Team Credit (If applicable)	(<u> </u>)
TOTAL	_____

Contacts:

Team Manager _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Coach _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Payment and above forms must be submitted by November 15, 2008.
No late entries will be accepted.
No skaters may be added after November 15, 2008
Please submit a single check. No Individual skater checks please.
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SKATER ENTRY FORM

Skater's Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Email Address _____

US FIGURE SKATING Home Club _____

Age _____ DOB _____ US Figure Skating # _____ or ISI # _____

Highest test passed as of November 15, 2008:

Freestyle _____ Date Passed _____

Moves _____ Date Passed _____

Dance _____ Date Passed _____

Please indicate all private coaches

Coach #1 _____ Coach's Phone # _____

Coach #2 _____ Coach's Phone # _____

High School Skater Attends _____

Skater's High School Team _____

Parent is able to help at competition _____ Yes _____ No

Skater's Signature _____

Indemnity Clause:

All entrants, their parents and guardians waive and release all claims which they may have against any competition officials, the US Figure Skating, the Detroit Metro Skating Council, the affiliated clubs and their officers, the arenas, the high school named above, the school district and their employees and agents, from any and all loss, damage and or injury that may be sustained by the entrant in any manner while participating in any of the activities of this competition series. Entries are accepted only on such conditions with full compliance to US Figure Skating rule 3222.

Signature: parent/guardian or skater if 18 years of age

Date

HOME CLUB PERMISSION AND CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

Approval is hereby given to the above named competitor, who is a member in good standing of this club, and is an eligible skater in accordance with the rules of the US Figure Skating, and to the best of my knowledge is qualified to participate in any or all of the High School Competitions for the 2008-2009 Season.

**2008-2009 MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL FIGURE SKATING TEAM COMPETITION SERIES
State Championship Transmittal**

Forms:

___ Team Individual Roster

Entry Fees:

Level A - Entry Fees (\$120.00) _____

Level B - Entry Fees (\$120.00) _____

Individual First Event ___ Skaters x (\$70) _____

Individual Second Event ___ Skaters x (\$30) _____

TOTAL _____

Contacts:

Team Manager _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Coach _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Volunteer #1 _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Volunteer #2 _____

Phone # _____ E-Mail _____

Payment and forms must be submitted by March 1, 2009

No late entries will be accepted.

Please submit a single check. No Individual skater checks please.

A fee of \$30 will be charged for all returned checks.

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