



July 19-21, 2024  
Richfield Ice Arena – Richfield, MN

Hosted by the St. Paul FSC, Inc.

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ENTRY DEADLINE: JUNE 15, 2024, AT 11:59 p.m.  
ET

*Registration opens May 15, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. ET*

## OVERVIEW

This competition is sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and conducted in accordance with the most current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook (2024-25 edition) with changes and clarifications as posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website and in this announcement. Compliance with these rules as updated or amended is the responsibility of the participants. U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to incorporate revisions to the international judging system (IJS) made by the ISU for senior events and by U.S. Figure Skating to junior events and below.

## EVENTS & ELIGIBILITY

The U.S. Collegiate Figure Skating Championships and Invitational are sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating and will be conducted under the rules set forth in the most recent edition of the official U.S. Figure Skating rulebook and any relevant ISU communications.

The collegiate pipeline is adapting the competitive floor but with small modifications.

- If you have ever participated in the NQS or Excel series, you will not be able to register for an event lower than the level you participated in the series in the Excel or qualifying events.
- The maximum test level has been increased for some Excel event levels and removed for the qualifying events. Please view the chart below to confirm your eligibility.

[Test Level Eligibility Chart for Collegiate Events](#)

### U.S. Collegiate Championships:

With requirement modifications, the following events will be offered at the U.S. Collegiate Championships. To view the requirements/permitted elements for this competition, click on the event name below.

- Junior Women and Men IJS Combined
  - [Short Program Requirements](#)
  - [Free Skate Requirements\\*\\*](#)
- Senior Women and Men IJS Combined
  - [Short Program Requirements](#)
  - [Free Skate Requirements\\*\\*](#)

*\*\*The ISU is proposing a change to the junior and senior free skate requirements, which, if ratified has a PENDING implementation date. This change will impact senior, junior and novice free skate domestically and reduce the required jump elements by 1 (from max 7 jump elements to max 6 jump elements) and replace one spin with a choreographic spin. More information will be made available as it is released from the ISU.*

To participate in this portion of the competition, skaters must:

1. Have a current U.S. Figure Skating membership.

2. Meet the eligibility requirements under U.S. Figure Skating Rule 2211.
3. Skaters may enter an event at their test level or one level above, HOWEVER test requirements must be met as of the competition start date.
  - Competitors found to have not met the appropriate test requirement by the start of the competition will be withdrawn.
  - Entrants who pass a test after the closing date of entries at a higher level than the test specified for entry will still be allowed to compete at the level at which they entered and will not be penalized (Rule 2424-A).
4. Meet the citizen and residency requirements stated in U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2230 – 2242.
  - Non-Citizens and Returning Athletes: In accordance with rules 2230 and 2240, you must submit the appropriate form (CC-01 or CC-02) **at least 7 days prior to the registration deadline for review and approval.** [CLICK HERE to review the Non-Citizen & Returning Athlete forms.](#)
5. Must be an undergraduate or any degree seeking student at an accredited **domestic college or university** defined below and able to provide written verification of student status via [Form A](#) by July 1 (Rule 2213):
  - A full-time student as defined by your college/university in the upcoming fall semester/quarter in the year of the Championships.
  - A student recently admitted to a full-time college or university degree program for the upcoming fall semester.
  - Graduated from your degree program between March 1 and July 31 of the year of the Championships.

### U.S. Collegiate Invitational:

- [Short Program \(IJS\) – juvenile, intermediate, novice](#)
- [Excel Free Skate \(6.0\) – Aspire 3, pre-preliminary, preliminary, preliminary plus](#)
- [Excel Free Skate \(IJS\)\\* – juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, senior](#)
- [Solo Pattern Dance\\*\\* \(6.0\) – preliminary, pre-bronze, bronze, pre-silver, silver, pre-gold, gold, international \(First Dance ONLY\)](#)
- [Solo Free Dance\\*\\* \(6.0\) – juvenile, intermediate, novice, junior, senior](#)

\*Pre-Juvenile Open Excel Free Skate has been discontinued as of Jan 1, 2024. Athletes who have previously competed in Pre-Juvenile are able to compete in Preliminary, Preliminary Plus, or Juvenile.

\*\*Competitors participating in a Championship event may also enter solo pattern and/or free dance event(s).

Skaters may NOT enter a Championship event and a short program and/or Excel Free Skate event at the Invitational. However, a skater may enter additional SP/FS events at the Skate St.

Paul competition being held in conjunction with this event.

Note: age requirements for juvenile and intermediate are waived for this event.

This portion of the competition is open to competitors who:

1. Have a current U.S. Figure Skating membership. Learn to Skate USA memberships will not be accepted.
2. Meet the eligibility requirements under U.S. Figure Skating Rule 2211
  - a. Skaters may enter an event at their test level or one level above.
  - b. All age requirements for events have been waived.
  - c. Entrants who pass a test after the closing date of entries at a higher level than the test specified for entry will still be allowed to compete at the level at which they entered and will not be penalized (Rule 2424-A).
3. Meet the citizen and residency requirements stated in U.S. Figure Skating Rules 2230 – 2242.
  - a. Non-Citizens and Returning Athletes: In accordance with rules 2230 and 2240, you must submit the appropriate form (CC-01 or CC-02) **at least 7 days prior to the registration deadline** for review and approval. [CLICK HERE to review the Non-Citizen & Returning Athlete forms.](#)
4. Must be an undergraduate or any degree seeking student at an accredited college or university defined below and able to provide written verification of student status via [Form A](#) by the entry deadline of July 1:
  - a. A full-time **OR part-time** student as defined by your college/university in the upcoming Fall semester/quarter in the year of the Championships.
  - b. A student recently admitted to a full-time or part-time college or university degree program for the upcoming fall semester.
  - c. Graduated from your degree program between March 1 and July 31 of the year of the competition.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### STEP 1 – REGISTER ONLINE

ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA [EMS](#) IS THE ONLY METHOD for entry into the U.S. Collegiate Championships & Invitational.

*If entries at the close of registration do not warrant a viable competition, U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to modify the format of the Collegiate Championships and the Collegiate*

### *Championship Award Program.*

#### Registration Instructions from Members Only (OR [CLICK HERE](#)).

- Go to [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.org)
- Enter your U.S. Figure Skating member number and password.
  - If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).
- Click the blue [EMS](#) button.
- Click "Competition Registration".
- Go to the "Qualifying" tab.
- Choose "2024 U.S. COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INVITATIONAL" from the list of competitions.
  - If you need assistance completing your registration, contact [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).

#### STEP 2 – FORM A: PROOF OF ENROLLMENT/STUDENT STATUS

In addition to online event registration with U.S. Figure Skating, all participants must prove their academic eligibility. Competitors attending the U.S. Collegiate Championships are subject to Rule 2213 in the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook, those attending the U.S. Collegiate Invitational are subject to the parameters outlined in this announcement (see above).

Form A ([CLICK HERE to download Form A](#)) and supplemental proof of student status must be submitted to headquarters via email to [croberts@usfigureskating.org](mailto:croberts@usfigureskating.org) by July 1 at 11:59 p.m. ET. A completed Form A *must* be accompanied by written proof of student status such as:

- Letter of acceptance with proof of enrollment deposit.
- Copy of class schedule or unofficial/official transcript for upcoming fall semester that clearly includes your name and your institution's name.
- Copy of your diploma with date of graduation.
- Any official document that includes your institution's name and your name.
- Have Form A signed/certified by a member of your college registrar.

Email is the only accepted method of submission and must be done so by the July 1 deadline. No late submissions will be accepted unless otherwise authorized prior to the July 1 deadline. Failure to submit Form A and proof of student status by the deadline will result in withdrawal of your registration to the Championships.

#### DEADLINES

##### REGISTRATION

The entry deadline for registration via EMS for the 2024 U.S. Collegiate Championships and Invitational is **June 15, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. ET**. U.S. Figure Skating servers are located on the east coast, so the deadline for all time zones is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET). No late entries will be accepted.

## FORM A AND SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

[FORM A](#) and supplemental proof of student status must be received by via e-mail to [croberts@usfigureskating.org](mailto:croberts@usfigureskating.org) by **July 1, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. ET**. If a completed [Form A](#) and any supplemental materials are not received by the July 1 deadline, your registration will be withdrawn without refund.

NOTE: If entries as of the registration deadline do not warrant a viable competitive event, U.S. Figure Skating reserves the right to modify the format of the Collegiate Championships and the Collegiate Scholarship Award Program.

## ENTRY FEES

Every skater entering the U.S. Collegiate Championships and Invitational must submit an entry fee as follows. The entry fee must be paid online as part of the registration process. All entries are assessed a non-refundable \$10.00 administration fee. Entry fees do NOT include practice ice sessions.

Collegiate Championships Entry Junior and Senior; Men & Women (includes short program and free skate)	\$250.00
Collegiate Invitational – First Event Individual segments only, no combined events	\$175.00
Collegiate Invitational – Additional Events Cost of additional events if registering for more than one	\$75.00

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION

### Music & PPC Deadline: Friday, July 12, 2024

All competitors entering the U.S. Collegiate Figure Skating Championships and Invitational are required to provide the following in their EMS Skater Portal by the deadline listed above:

- Upload of each piece of competition music and provide copyright information
  - [CLICK HERE for music submission how-to guide.](#)
- For IJS events, submit Planned Program Content (PPC) detailing the elements in all programs
  - [CLICK HERE for PPC submission how-to guide.](#)

If you need assistance with uploading these items, email [memberservices@usfigureskating.org](mailto:memberservices@usfigureskating.org).

Please note that you do not have to complete this at time of entry and an athlete may update their music or PPC prior to the submission deadline of Friday, July 12, 2024, in EMS. Athletes will not be allowed to make any edits to their music or PPC after the deadline as this time is used for event organizers to download your information and prepare for the event. If you need to make any adjustments within two weeks of the event you will be required to do so onsite.

You will not be allowed to receive your credential at registration until U.S. Figure Skating and the local organizing committees have received this information.

## PRACTICE ICE

Please consult EMS after registration for practice ice sales timelines and offerings. All practice ice will be sold through the Event Management System (EMS). Do not contact the arena directly.

## DRAWS

The Local Organizing Committee will provide information about draws to skaters closer to the competition.

## SCHEDULE

The Collegiate Championships will take place July 18-20, 2024. All competitors and coaches will be notified when a competition schedule is available for viewing in EMS after the close of registration.

## COACHES

If you have competitors in the Championship portion of the competition (junior/senior combined events), a professional coach or choreographer must meet all qualifying level coach requirements for the current season.

If you have competitors only in the Invitational portion of the qualifying competition, a professional coach or choreographer must meet all nonqualifying level coach requirements for the current season.

The local organizing committee (LOC) will be provided access via U.S. Figure Skating's Event Management System (EMS) to verify coach compliance. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. Coaches who are NOT compliant at time of check-in will need to show proof of any/all missing compliance items prior to being accredited. **If a coach cannot provide the necessary documents, they will not be allowed a credential – no exceptions.**

A declared coach has access to the Event Management System (EMS) for each of their skater's competition(s). A coach's approval is not required for any qualifying registrations as it is connected to the skater's U.S. Figure Skating membership and test record.

## AWARDS

All first, second, third and fourth-place finishers from each event will receive a medal. Please see the event website and on-site postings for an awards schedule.

## COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

The Collegiate Championship Award Program emanates from the Pioneer Fund and is given out annually based on the results at the U.S. Collegiate Championships. This award program was developed to assist the winners with a one-time monetary scholarship award. The awards are



distributed following the winners' successful completion of their full-time, fall term/semester\*.

For the 2024 event, the Collegiate Championship Award Program will distribute scholarships as follows:

Senior Women & Men's Champions: \$4,000  
Senior Women & Men's 2nd Place: \$2,000  
Senior Women/Men's 3rd Place: \$1,000

Junior Women & Men's Champions: \$1,000  
Junior Women & Men's 2nd Place: \$500

To receive this scholarship award, the winners receiving a Collegiate Championship Award must meet and show proof of the following requirements:

- Meet all eligibility requirements for entry to the U.S. Collegiate Championships (Rules 2211, 2200 & 2240).
- Provide proof of academic enrollment:
  - For currently or newly enrolled students: Provide a transcript, verifying successful completion of the upcoming fall semester/quarter as a full-time student.
  - For recent graduates: Provide an official or unofficial transcript verifying successful completion of the most recent semester/quarter as a full-time student.
- Provide a completed W-9 form
- Complete all additional post-competition paperwork for receiving the scholarship funds no later than May 15 of the following calendar year of the Championships (ex. 2023 Collegiate Championships paperwork must be completed by May 15, 2024).
  - An email will come from a member of headquarters staff with these next steps following the conclusion of the competition.
  - Failure to complete these steps prior this deadline will result in the forfeiting of scholarship funds.

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## LOCAL INFORMATION

For all local information including local hotels, volunteer opportunities, merchandise, etc. visit the event website [www.uscollegiatechampionships.com](http://www.uscollegiatechampionships.com).

### Host Facility

Richfield Ice Arena  
636 E 66<sup>th</sup> Street  
Richfield, MN 55423

[Website](#)



## REFUNDS

Entry fees will not be refunded for any reason after the registration deadline of June 15. Practice ice and any other fees paid to the competition will be refunded at the discretion of the host LOC.

## LIABILITY

The 2024 U.S. Collegiate Championships, U.S. Figure Skating, St. Paul FSC, Inc., and the Richfield Ice Arena accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in these championships. By registering to compete, you assume any risk and waive any and all claims of personal injury and/or damage to personal property.

## TIMELINES & RESOURCES

- May 15: Registration opens for the 2024 U.S. Collegiate Championships and Invitational
- June 15: Deadline for registration in [EMS](#)
- July 1: Deadline for [Form A – Student Verification](#)
- July 10: Deadline for Music & PPC submission in [EMS](#)