

## **Copper State Classic 2024**

Hosted by Copper State Skating Club May 16 – 19, 2024 Coyotes Community Ice Center

Chief Referee: Patricia Wilkins Deadline for Entries: April 3, 2024 Sanctioned by US Figure Skating



## I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The **Copper State Classic** will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the <u>current rulebook</u>, and/or current Compete USA handbook as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating <u>website</u>.

This competition is open to all eligible, restricted, reinstated or readmitted persons as defined by the Eligibility Rules.

Skaters must be a currently registered member of a U.S. Figure Skating member club, Learn to Skate USA<sup>®</sup> member, a collegiate club or who is an individual member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the <u>rulebook</u> for more information.

**<u>SERIES INFORMATION</u>**: This competition is a qualifying event for the <u>Excel Series</u> 2024, <u>Solo Dance</u> <u>Series</u> 2024, and <u>National Showcase</u> 2024.

Competitors must register to participate in the Excel Series prior to competition at designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standings. Excel Series Registration is due <u>March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024</u>.

Excel Series Registration | Excel Series Information Solo Dance Series Registration | Solo Dance Series Information

## II. ELIGIBILITY

#### Singles: Excel and Well-Balanced Events:

- Skaters must meet at least the minimum singles test requirements for the event's level. A skater's singles test level may be higher than the minimum requirement.
  - Skate Up: skaters may skate up one level higher than their minimum test requirement allows.
- Skaters may not register for an event level lower than allowed by their competitive floor. An athlete's competitive floor is set by one of the following scenarios:
  - If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the NQS series, the event level registered for in the most recent NQS will become the lowest level they may compete at in any U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event.
  - If an athlete has a paid EMS series application for the Excel Series, the event level registered for in the most recent Excel series will become the lowest level they may compete in any Excel event. For Well-Balanced and Specialty events the skater will be permitted to register at one level lower than the "floor" set by their excel series entry.
  - If an athlete has never had a paid EMS series application in the NQS or Excel series, the athlete may select their level based on their goals and technical skills as long as the minimum test requirements are met.
- Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel free skate and a Well-Balanced free skate event at the same competition (example: Juvenile Girls Free Skate and Juvenile Girls Excel Free Skate).
  However, they are permitted to enter an Excel and a Well-Balanced event of different types

such as a short program (if stand-alone event option), specialty or showcase events (example: Intermediate Women Short Program and Intermediate Women Excel Free Skate).

- For more details about establishing event levels, refer to information sheet <u>HERE</u> or email <u>events@usfigureskating.org</u>.

#### All other singles and partner events (such as Adults, Pairs, Ice Dance):

- Skaters must meet the minimum test requirements for the events level, but not exceed the maximum permissible test requirement.

Competitors entering pre-juvenile and lower events will be divided as closely as possible by age, should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

#### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

<u>Program requirements for the events listed below can be found here: usfigureskating.org – Skate –</u> <u>Compete – Program Requirements</u>

This event will follow program requirements for the 2023-2024 season. **NOTE**: Previous Pre-Free Skate – Free Skate 6 events have been migrated to Aspire 1-4.

## ALL PRICES INCLUDE VIDEO\*\* OF YOUR PROGRAM!

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Excel Free Skate (Pre-Preliminary – Preliminary)	6.0	\$125	\$105
Excel Free Skate (Plus events & Excel Juvenile – Senior)	IJS	\$145	\$105
Well Balanced Short Program	IJS	\$145	\$105
Well Balanced Free Skate	IJS	\$145	\$105
Adult Free Skate (Adult Pre-Bronze – Master Jr/Sr)	IJS	\$145	\$105
Adult Beginner & High Beginner Free Skate	6.0	\$125	\$105
SPECIALTY	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Compulsory Moves (Pre-Preliminary–Senior)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Excel Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$85	\$70
Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Adult Jumps Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Adult Spins Challenge (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Step Sequence (Pre-Pre.–Senior)	6.0	\$85	\$70
Adult Step Sequences (Adult Pre-Bronze–Masters Sr)	6.0	\$85	\$70

SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Individual Entertainment (Preliminary – Senior, Adult	CJS	\$135	\$90
Bronze & above) (includes Taylor Swift theme event)			
Individual Entertainment (No Test – Pre-Preliminary,	6.0	\$125	\$90
Adult Pre-Bronze) (includes Taylor Swift theme event) Duets/Trios (Preliminary – Senior, Adult Bronze &	CJS	\$135	\$90
above) ( <b>PRICE FOR ALL)</b>	0.5	2122 2	550
Duets/Trios (No Test – Pre-Preliminary, Adult Pre-	6.0	\$125	\$90
Bronze) (PRICE FOR ALL)			
Interpretive	6.0	\$125	\$90
Mini Production Ensemble (PRICE FOR ALL)	CJS	\$170	\$170
Production Ensemble (PRICE FOR ALL)	CJS	\$170	\$170
Open Inflatables (Under 18, 18+)	6.0	\$125	\$90
Adaptive Individual/Assisted/Unassisted Showcase	6.0	\$105	\$90
Adaptive Unified Partner Showcase (PRICE FOR ALL)	6.0	\$105	\$90
SOLO DANCE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance (Participating in series)	IJS	\$145	\$105
Solo Free Dance	IJS	\$145	\$105
Solo Combined Dance	IJS	\$145	\$105
Shadow Dance (PRICE FOR ALL)	IJS	\$210	\$200
Adult Solo Pattern Dance	IJS	\$145	\$105
Adult Solo Free Dance	IJS	\$145	\$105
COMPETE USA EVENTS	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Snowplow Sam-Basic 6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$115	\$90
Aspire 1-4 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$115	\$90
Adult 1-6 Program w/ Music	6.0	\$115	\$90
Snowplow Sam – Basic 6 Elements	6.0	\$85	\$70
Aspire 1-4 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$85	\$70
Adult 1-6 Compulsory Moves	6.0	\$85	\$70
Compete USA – Spin Challenge	6.0	\$85	\$70
Compete USA – Jump Challenge	6.0	\$85	\$70
Compete USA – Showcase	6.0	\$105	\$90
ADAPTIVE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Special Olympics Badges	6.0	\$105	\$90
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program	6.0	\$105	\$90
Skate United Badges	6.0	\$105	\$90
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### \*\* Video is included in registration fee for all registered events. Video is NOT included for Skate-off events.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY:**

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understand its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

#### **NON-DISCRIMINATION:**

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program receives, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the <u>SkateSafe® Program Handbook</u> for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (*GR 1.01*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 1.02*), as detailed within the <u>U.S.</u> Figure Skating Rulebook.

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit <u>www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe</u> or email <u>SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org</u>.

## **COMPLIANCE:**

For full details about participant compliance requirements, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe<sup>®</sup> webpage: <u>https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe#compliance</u>.

#### COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into two categories, Coach Compliance (includes choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found <u>HERE</u>. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

<u>Coaches of foreign athletes:</u> If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

#### MANDATORY ATHLETES

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SafeSport<sup>™</sup> Training. \*

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport<sup>™</sup> Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email <u>skatesafe@usfigureskating.org</u> for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

## **III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS :**

Online registrations will be accepted via <u>EMS</u>. Payment must be made at the time of registration by <u>credit card only</u>. Each transaction includes a 3% transaction fee.

## Registration Deadline: 4/3/2024 at 11:59 PM Arizona Time (April 4, 2024 2:59 AM ET) Late Registration Deadline: 4/13/2024 at 11:59 PM Arizona Time (April 14, 2024 2:59 ET) + \$50 Late Fee

\*The host club reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met

- 1. Go to <u>www.usfsaonline.org</u>
- 2. Enter your U.S. Figure Skating or if Compete USA events are offered, your Learn to Skate USA<sup>®</sup> member number and password
  - a. If you need assistance with your member number and password, contact Member Services at <u>memberservices@usfigureskating.org</u>.
- 3. Click EMS then "Competition Registration"
- 4. Choose **"COPPER STATE CLASSIC**" from the list of nonqualifying competitions.
  - a. If you need assistance completing your registration, contact productsupport@usfigureskating.org.

#### PARTNERED EVENTS:

Only <u>one partner</u> will complete registration for the team. During the registration process, you will be asked to identify your partner and verify their test information. The registered partner will be responsible for managing all aspects of the competition for the team including music/PPC upload, practice ice sales, etc.

#### FOREIGN SKATERS:

Non-U.S. skaters intending to register for this competition must set up a non-member account prior to registering for the competition (<u>click here for HOW TO</u>). This can be done by choosing the "Non-Member? Create Account" option on the <u>Members Only</u> login page.

#### TEST CREDIT:

Competitors that meet the requirements for test credit may complete a test credit request. Forms will be available on the competition website and at the registration desk. **Test credit forms** received by <u>May 12</u> will be charged \$10; forms received after that date will be charged \$20. Test Credit must be requested

no later than 5 p.m. the day before the event, no exceptions. Test credit requests may be emailed to competecsc+testcredit@gmail.com, or dropped off at the registration desk. Refunds will not be issued unless the competitor withdraws. <u>Payment</u> for test credit requests may be made at the registration desk; prior to the competition, test credit requests may be paid on the Copper State Skating Club EntryEeze site at <u>https://comp.entryeeze.com/Membership/Welcome.aspx?cid=57</u> (Click on Guest Skaters). Note that there is a convenience fee for payments via EntryEeze.

#### CRITIQUES:

Critiques will be offered for Juvenile through Senior free skate both standard track and Excel. **Critique requests** must be received by <u>May 1</u> and must be emailed to <u>competecsc+critiques@gmail.com</u>. Refunds will not be issued unless the competitor withdraws. The fee for critiques is **\$15** payable when the request is made (note that there is a non-refundable convenience fee for payments via EntryEeze). <u>Payment</u> for critique requests may be made on the Copper State Skating Club EntryEeze site at <u>https://comp.entryeeze.com/Membership/Welcome.aspx?cid=57</u> (Click on Guest Skaters).

The critique schedule will be posted at the registration desk on the day of competition. Critiques may be attended only by the competitor and their coach and will be conducted as close to the completion of the event as reasonably possible.

<u>**Two entries**</u> constitute an event. Events with single entrants will be offered an exhibition or refund, or the event may be combined with another event at the Referee's discretion. Exhibition competitors will receive a medal.

**Notification of competition times** will be available on EMS approximately one week after late registration ends. All registered competitors will be notified via email when the schedule is published.

Competitors and coaches <u>must check in</u> at the registration table <u>at least 60 minutes</u> before their events. Any unresolved fee must be paid at this time.

#### MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 5:00 PM PT/Arizona time**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$40 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

#### DEADLINE: Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024, 5 p.m. PT/Arizona time. \$40 late fee.

#### EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: CLICK HERE

#### If you need assistance, email <u>productsupport@usfigureskating.org</u> or the <u>event music coordinator</u>.

Competitors must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rinkside whenever the skater competes. If the phone does not have the standard round headset connector, an appropriate adapter, such as an Apple Lightning connector or Samsung USB-C adapter is required to be attached. The phone should be presented to the music person with the file ready to play, phone in airplane mode and volume turned to maximum.

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 5:00 PM PT/Arizona time**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a **\$40 late fee**. The late fee will automatically be added to each skater's cart who doesn't meet this requirement by the deadline. Late fees will not be removed under any circumstances and must be paid prior to receiving the skater credential onsite.

## DEADLINE: Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024, 5 p.m. PT/Arizona time. \$40 late fee.

EMS PPC UPLOAD HOW TO: CLICK HERE

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

#### **REFUND POLICY**

**Entry fees will not be refunded** after the entry deadline of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 11:59 PM PT (April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 2:59AM ET), unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. Contested credit card charges will be issued a \$35 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the competitor is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

#### LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA<sup>®</sup>, Copper State Skating Club, and Coyotes Community Ice Center accept no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any participant in this competition. This is in accordance with Rule 1600 of the official U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

#### JUDGING SYSTEM:

The International Judging System (IJS) will be used for the following events:

- Well-Balanced Program Free Skate Events Pre-Preliminary through Senior
- Short Program Events: Intermediate through Senior
- All Excel Plus events
- Excel Juvenile Senior events
- Adult Free Skate Events Adult Pre-Bronze through Masters

The **Component Judging System** (CJS) will be used for all Showcase event levels that are eligible for National Showcase competition, i.e., Preliminary and above (including Open Juvenile and Young Adult) and Adult Bronze and above. The 6.0 Majority judging system will be used for all other Showcase events, including interpretive (all levels).

Showcase events will be under rule 3200, where non-USFS officials may be used.

## **IV. COMPETITION DETAILS**

**FACILITIES:** The competition will be held at <u>Coyotes Community Ice Center</u>, 140 N Country Club Drive, Mesa, AZ 85201. Phone 602-612-2607. Coyotes Community Ice Center is a single surface indoor rink with NHL surface measuring 200 ft. by 85 ft. with slightly rounded corners. <u>Please note the reduced</u>

#### competition surface for all Showcase events. There is a snack bar on site.

#### LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:

Locker rooms are not available at this competition. Athletes may change in the restroom, but if possible athletes should arrive at the facility ready (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on. Athletes with multiple events/costumes may change in public restrooms.

#### U.S. Figure Skating Travel Policy:

All travel must strictly adhere to Two-Deep Leadership requirements. An Adult Participant cannot transport a Minor Athlete one-on-one and Two-Deep Leadership requirements must be adhered to at all times during In-Program travel, by transporting at least two minors or a second Adult Participant. An Adult Participant cannot share a hotel room or other sleeping arrangement with a Minor Athlete(s). Full details of the SkateSafe® Travel Policy and any exceptions can be found starting on page 12 of the <u>SkateSafe® Handbook</u>.

#### **OFFICIAL WEBSITE & UPDATES:**

Official announcements will be posted at <u>https://www.copperstateskatingclub.com/copper-state-</u> <u>classic</u>. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the website frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition. Starting orders and results will be posted online on the US Figure Skating site. For showcase events that are eligible for skateoff nominations, these results will be posted at the rink.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Competitors may be scheduled on any day or time during the announced dates of the competition. The competition and practice ice schedule will be available after the close of entries. All participants will be notified via email once available. Showcase events will be held on **Sunday May 19**.

#### PRACTICE ICE:

Practice ice will be sold, subject to schedule availability, via Open Sales in EMS **after** the schedule has been finalized. **Music will not be played.** Competitors will be notified via email in advance of practice ice availability.

#### **EMS (COMPETITOR) PRACTICE ICE RESOURCES:**

- Competitor: Open Sales

#### **ONSITE CHECK-IN:**

The registration desk will be located in the lobby of Coyotes Community Ice Center. It will open one hour before the first event of the day and remain open until the last event of each day. Competitors and coaches must register upon arrival and check in **at least one hour** prior to their first event.

#### AWARDS:

Medals with ribbons will be given for all participants in Compete USA events. For all other events, awards will be given to competitors for 1st through 4th place. Once results are posted, competitors receiving awards are required to report to the awards area located in the lobby wearing their costume and skates. Awards will also be given for the winners of the Showcase Skate-Off (see Skate-Off below).

#### Annual Copper State Classic Specialty Awards:

Each recipient will receive an award presented by the sponsor or competition volunteer. Awards will be presented at the awards ceremony specified on the competition schedule, unless the recipient is no longer on site, in which case it will be mailed. Additionally, each award category will be recognized with a perpetual banner displayed at Coyotes Community Ice Center. Names of recipients will be added to the banners annually.

Copper State Excellence Award: For the most memorable combination of artistry, technical skill, and engaging performance in standard track Singles Free Skating at the Juvenile - Senior level. This award is for free skating performance (short program or free skate).

✤ Madison Defler Memorial Award: Madison is remembered for her work ethic and pure love of skating. In her memory, this award will celebrate the most inspirational performance at the Basic 5 – Aspire 4 level. This award is for free skating performance. (Sponsored by Gordon Zaft)

◆ Leighton Accardo "This is Me" Award: Leighton was a bright shining star, a true one-of-a-kind performer. She was a fierce competitor! She sold every program with attitude and personality. To be awarded to the competitor that embodies her flair for performance. This award is for showcase singles performance only and is the top showcase award. (Sponsored by The Accardo Family)

**NOTE**: Competitors may only win a specialty award once. The Accardo award winner need not be nominated for a skate-off to win. The Accardo award winner is not eligible to win a skate-off award; if they are first in their skate-off, the runner-up will receive the skate-off award.

#### PHOTO/VIDEO:

Spectators are reminded that flash photography is dangerous to competitors and will be strictly prohibited. A professional photographer will be available in the awards area.

✤ All Compete USA competitors (Snowplow Sam – Free Skate 6) are encouraged to participate in a group photo.

The LOC recommends competitors from No Test and above events who have placed 1st through 4th have a group photo taken; purchase of photo is optional.

Individual photos will be taken upon request regardless of placement.

Personal cameras/video cameras are permitted but may only be used to film your competitor's performance for personal use. Only battery powered video units are allowed; electrical cords, tripods (or similar devices) are not permitted.

# Professional videography of your skater's performance is <u>INCLUDED</u> in your registration fee! Video for Skate-off events may be purchased from the vendor.

A digital photographer will also be in attendance for professional quality action shots.

**NOTE:** Per U.S. Figure Skating policy, photographing and/or recording of anyone other than your own competitor is strictly prohibited. Please refer to the Basic Ice Usage and Competitor Etiquette Information document found in the Club Resource section of Member's Only. The LOC reserves the right to deny admittance to anyone who violates this rule.

#### LIVESTREAM:

Livestream of the full competition will be provided by our videographer (Coronado Productions). All competitors will receive a link.

#### **TEST SESSION:**

A Test Session may be offered during the competition dates. Exact time/date to be determined based on final competition schedule. Please go online to <u>http://www.copperstateskatingclub.com</u> for information. Once opened, the Test Session will also be available to register online.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

#### **Rules and Conduct of the Competition**

The decision of the referee on all matters will be final. The referee, along with the competition LOC, shall have the right to exclude any person whose behavior is unruly or unsportsmanlike. Facility rules must be followed by all participants, coaches, officials, parents, vendors and guests.

#### **General Information:**

1. Competitors will be grouped by random draw and will not be seeded in this competition.

2. Short Program and Free Skate are separate events. No final rounds will be held.

3. Male competitors will be combined with female competitors in all Showcase, Compulsory and Challenge (except jumps) events in order to make an event.

4. Different levels of non-Free Skate events may be combined in order to make an event.

5. Single entries for any event <u>will be contacted</u> to choose an exhibition or refund, or the event may be combined with another at the Referee's discretion.

6. Competitors must be a current registered member of USFS as a full, LTS, collegiate or individual member, in accordance with Rule 3060a.

7. USFS events are open to members of non-USFS skating associations but must provide proof of current membership in good standing and have a letter of permission from their federation allowing them to skate in the competition or are released from their federation. In addition, if competitors are entered from Canada there would also need to be a Skate Canada sanction. See Section 3060 in the current Rulebook.

8. Special Olympics Competitors must be members of USFS or State/National Special Olympics for insurance purposes.

**Travel arrangements:** Please wait until the tentative schedule is posted before finalizing travel arrangements.

#### Admission:

Admission to all events is free of charge. Seating may be limited. A livestream will also be available.

#### **Official Hotel:**

Courtyard by Marriott Mesa at Wrigleyville West Address: 2224 W Rio Salado Pkwy, Mesa, AZ 85201 Phone: (480) 590-8000

#### **Airport Information:**

There are 2 airports to choose from when flying into the area.

- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (approx. 12 miles from Coyotes Community Ice Center)
  - <u>https://www.skyharbor.com</u>
- Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport (approx. 22 miles from Coyotes Community Ice Center)
  - https://www.gatewayairport.com

#### Vendors:

Please check our website, www.CopperStateSkatingClub.com, for vendors attending event.

#### SHOWCASE EVENTS:

All Showcase Events offered will be scheduled on Sunday, May 19, 2023 (Showcase Sunday). The competition surface will measure approximately <u>150 ft. by 85 ft.</u> Although practice ice sessions will be offered for the competition, no practice ice will be conducted on the reduced surface. The area used for warm-up will be located behind the set/curtain. It will measure approximately 50 ft by 85 ft. All warm-ups will occur on the partitioned warm-up surface, with the exception of the Interpretive events, which will occur on the competition surface. Showcase events will be a special competition under rule 3200, where non-USFS officials may be used. See rink diagram below.

#### **Interpretive Events:**

**NOTE:** As interpretive events are not offered at National Showcase for the 2023-24 season, Copper State Classic **will use the CompeteUSA rules below for ALL interpretive events.** 

A performance choreographed by the competitor, unaccompanied and unassisted, to music provided by the LOC. During the warm-up, the competitors will hear the music twice. After the warm-up, all but the first competitor will be escorted to a sound-proof locker room or other area of the arena. The first competitor will hear the music one more time off-ice, then perform a program to the music. As each competitor performs, the next competitor in line will be brought to the arena to hear the music for a third time off-ice before performing to the music.

#### Duet/Trio & Ensemble Events:

• Duets/Trios: Theatrical performances by any two/three competitors. Props and scenery ARE permitted. Competitors may enter only one duet/trio, or one mini production ensemble each.

• Production/Mini Production Ensembles: Theatrical performances by four to seven competitors (Mini) or more. Props and scenery ARE permitted.

#### SKATE-OFF

In each group on Showcase Sunday (excluding interpretive and production events), judges have the option to nominate competitors to compete in a final skate-off. A competitor will know if they have been nominated if it is noted next to their name on the results sheet. The judges will be looking for outstanding performances and are free to nominate as many competitors as they wish. Nominations are based not on technical difficulty, but on theatrical performance. The judges will look for outstanding character portrayal, interpretation of music, theatrics, emotion, entertainment value, etc.

At the end of the day, there will be six skate-offs. The event levels are as follows:

- <u>Singles</u>
  - Compete USA
  - No-Test Juvenile
  - Intermediate Senior
  - o Adult
- <u>Duets/Trios</u>
  - Basics No Test
  - Pre-Preliminary Senior

The skating order for each skate-off will be posted shortly after the last showcase event for that category. There are no skate-offs for mini-production, production or interpretive events.

It is possible for a competitor to be <u>nominated in more than one event</u>. In this case, we ask that you prepare for the second skate-off as quickly as possible, and we will do our best to leave you enough time to do so. If a competitor only wishes to participate in one skate-off, they may choose to do so. The competitor must advise the registration desk of their decision. If a competitor is nominated more than once, the competitor may choose the order of the programs to be skated.

Skate-off awards will be presented at an awards ceremony immediately following the event.

**NOTE**: there is no fee to compete in the skate-off events. Video for skate-off events **IS NOT INCLUDED** in your registration fee.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

#### https://www.copperstateskatingclub.com/copper-state-classic

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Gordon Zaft	competecsc@gmail.com	520-991-8440
Test Credit	Natalie Brunk	Competecsc+testcredit@gmail.com	
Critiques	Natalie Brunk	Competecsc+critiques@gmail.com	
Practice Ice Chair:	Courtney Stanley	Competecsc+practiceice@gmail.com	

#### **RINK LAYOUT:**

This diagram shows the ice entrances and <u>approximate</u> location of the showcase curtain and judge's stand. IT IS NOT TO SCALE.

