



# STAR OF THE NORTH **GAMES**

ROCHESTER ST.CLOUD CHASKA



## **STAR OF THE NORTH STATE GAMES**

**Hosted by**

**the CHASKA FSC**

**May 4, 2019**

**Chief Referee: Rebecca Bates**

**Chief Accountant: Robert Gall**

**Test Session: May 3, 2019**

The Star of the North State Games will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the current rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website.

### **ELIGIBILITY/TEST LEVEL:**

Star of the North State Games, USFS track, is a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event endorsed by the ISI, but membership in U.S. Figure Skating and/or ISI is NOT required. **Participants must be a resident of the state of Minnesota.** Registered members of USFS and ISI must be in good standing. **USFS and ISI members must include their USFS or ISI number at the time of registration and indicate whether they are USFS or ISI.**

**Test level:** Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event.

**Age restrictions/requirements:** Skaters entering juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program) must be under 13 years of age for girls and under 14 years of age for boys at the close of entries. Skaters entering open juvenile free skate events (Well Balanced Program), must be at least 13 years of age for girls and at least 14 years of age for boys at the close of entries.

Skaters entering beginner–pre-juvenile events will be divided as closely as possible by age should the number of entries warrant more than one group.

Eligibility for all age-restricted events is determined by the skater's age as of the entry deadline date.

**ENTRIES:** Entries may be limited, so register early. Only online entries with secure credit card payment through EntryEeze will be accepted, and teams must complete the team roster section. Note that electronic entries must be paid with a successful credit card transaction to be considered valid, and must be completed by **11:59 p.m., March 29~~3~~, 2019**. Fees will be as follows:

\$100 first event

\$25 each additional event

**Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the competition committee and the chief referee, and only if accompanied by a \$30.00 late fee. There will be a \$25.00 change fee for each change of an event or level after the entry deadline date. The competition committee and/or the chief referee reserve the right to cancel or combine any event(s) and/or to limit entries because of time constraints. Skaters will be notified if their event is cancelled or combined.**



**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after the entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is cancelled. Under USFS State Games Rule SGCR 6.04, which states "if only one competitor is entered in an event, the event may be held," events with only one registrant will be held. **There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.** The online processing fees are not refundable.

Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be issued a \$25.00 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before the skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

Notification of competition and practice ice times will be available by email and EntryEeze.

**FACILITIES:** The competition will be held at the **Chaska Community Center Ice Arena**, 1661 Park Ridge Dr., Chaska, MN, 55318, 952-448-5633. Rink size is 200' x 85', and arena temperature will be between 45 - 52 degrees. Admission will be \$5; children 12 and under are free. Bleacher seating is available. There will be concessions available for purchase in the main lobby. There will also be a coaches' hospitality room.

**LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:** Please click here to review the [Locker Rooms and Changing Area policy](#). More detailed information can be found in the [SafeSport Handbook](#). Locker room assignments will be communicated prior to the competition and signs will be posted on locker rooms to provide guidance. Assignments are typically by club and an attempt to even out the space allocated is made.

**MUSIC:** The official competition music must be turned in at the registration table at the time of check-in. Only standard format CDs will be accepted. They must be clearly marked with the competitor's name and event. Skaters must turn in a separate CD for each event that has music. A duplicate CD should be readily available during the skater's event. Music may be picked up at the registration table following each event.

Every reasonable care will be taken, but neither the Star of the North State Games nor Chaska FSC will be held responsible for CDs left at the end of the competition.

Please have separate CDs for practice and competition.

**LIABILITY:** U.S. Figure Skating, Star of the North State Games, Chaska FSC, and the Chaska Community 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 U.S. Figure Skating 6.0 ordinal scoring method will be used for all events, and judging will be by official U.S. Figure Skating judges. [Rule 1041 allows 6.0 to be used for all State Games events.](#)

**REGISTRATION:** The skater registration desk will be open one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. Please check in promptly upon arrival. Check in at least one hour prior to your event. Events can begin as early as 30 minutes ahead of schedule. A lost and found will be maintained at the registration desk.

**PRACTICE ICE:** Practice ice will be available the morning of the event. Practice ice will be available through EntryEeze once the competition schedule has been finalized. A 20-minute session will be \$15 if pre-paid at the time of entry, or \$20 at the door.

**TEST SESSION:** A test session will be held on Friday, May 3rd from 1pm - 7pm. Please see the Chaska Figure Skating Club website ([chaskafsc.com](http://chaskafsc.com)) for a test application under the tab "Our Club," then "Testing." All applications and fees must be received by April 19, and skaters will be admitted to the session on a first come, first served basis.

**PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY:** Videography will be provided by Perkins Media. Your entry includes a video of one event. Additional videos and/or events will be available for purchase. Skaters will need to provide a flash drive to receive their videos. An official photographer will be taking action shots of all skaters and events as well as event winners.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be awarded to skaters placing first through third in each event. These will be awarded off ice shortly after the final results are posted.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES:** An official bulletin board will be maintained at skater check-in. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the bulletin board frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information. Skaters are requested to arrive one hour prior to the scheduled time of their event. A tentative schedule of events will be posted prior to the competition.



## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL COACHES:**

To be a credentialed coach at a sanctioned nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the following requirements:

Coaching U.S. Figure Skating athletes:

Current member in good standing with U.S. Figure Skating

Completed background check (green light status)

Completed SafeSport Training\*

Continuing Education Requirements (CERs) for the 2018-19 Competition Season

Proof of current general liability insurance with limits of \$1 million per occurrence/\$5 million aggregate.

Coaching Compete USA athletes:

- Learn to Skate USA Instructor membership OR U.S. Figure Skating full membership
- Completed SafeSport Training\* (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Completed background check (green light status) (for coaches 18 years old and over)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Certification completed (for coaches under 18 years old)

\*SafeSport training is available through [www.usfsaonline.org](http://www.usfsaonline.org) for full members of U.S. Figure Skating (through Learn to Skate USA portal for instructors). There is no cost to this training and certification is valid for 2 seasons

The LOC will have a list of compliant coaches who are approved to receive a credential at the competition. Coaches will need to check in at the event registration desk and show a government-issued photo I.D. to receive a credential.

If a coach cannot provide a photo I.D. and is not on the list or cannot produce the necessary documents, he or she will not be allowed a credential. There can be no exceptions to this policy.

If a foreign coach has only foreign athletes at a competition, a background check and SafeSport Training are not required. Instead, the coach must submit a letter from their Federation stating they are a member in good standing.

For more information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit:

<http://usfsa.org/content/Coaches%20Requirements%20Chart.pdf>

**CONTACT INFO:** If you have questions, please contact Star of the North State Games Commissioner Jane Schaber at [jschaber@superrink.org](mailto:jschaber@superrink.org) or the Chaska FSC Competition Co-Chairs Elizabeth Matvick at [ematvick@msn.com](mailto:ematvick@msn.com) or Katt Parsons at [coachkatt@yahoo.com](mailto:coachkatt@yahoo.com).

USFS Referee: Rebecca Bates

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Tentative schedules and practice ice information will be posted on the Star of the North State Games website.



**ISI Program Members:** If you are in an ISI program, please use the below conversion chart to determine your appropriate competition level.

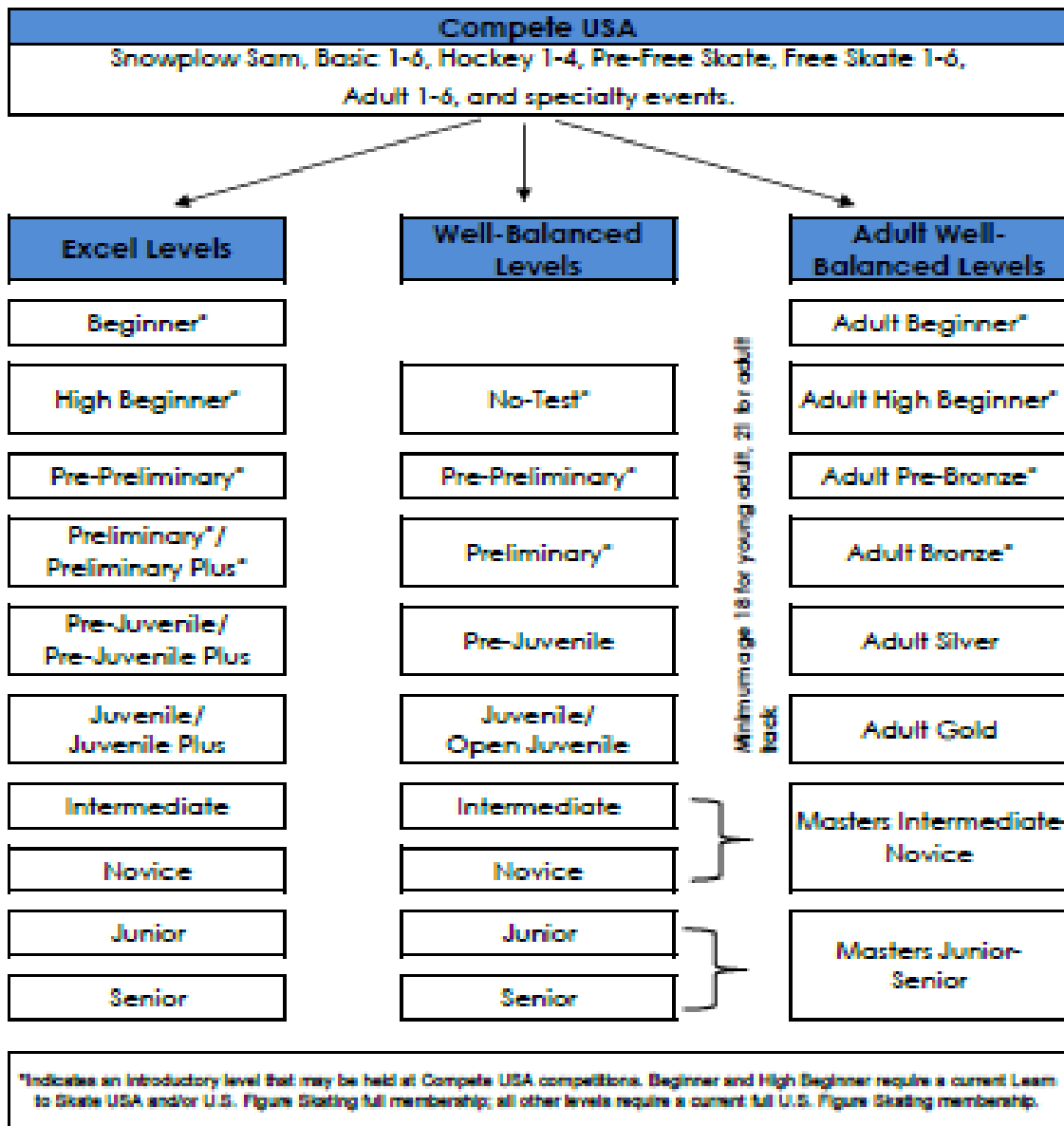
ISI members may enter either Excel or Well-Balanced Free Skate events but NOT both.

<b>If You Passed ISI Level</b>	<b>Enter USFS Level</b>
Tot or Pre-Alpha (age 7 and older) Alpha	Basic 1
Advanced Pre-Alpha	Basic 2
Advanced Pre-Alpha	Basic 3
Alpha/Gamma	Basic 4
Beta	Basic 5
Gamma	Basic 6
Delta - Freestyle 1	Pre-Free Skate- Free Skate 6 (choose correct level based upon elements required)
Freestyle 2 or 3/Open Bronze	Pre-Preliminary
Freestyle 4/ Open Silver	Preliminary
Freestyle 5 / Open Silver	Pre-Juvenile
Freestyle 6/ Open Gold	Juvenile or Intermediate
Freestyle 7/ Open Platinum	Novice
Freestyle 8/ Open Platinum	Junior or Senior
Freestyle 9/ Open Platinum	Senior
Freestyle 10/ Open Platinum	Senior
Freestyle 2/Open Bronze (Adult)	Adult Pre-Bronze
Freestyle 3/ Open Bronze (Adult)	Adult Bronze
Freestyle 4/ Open Silver (Adult)	Adult Silver
Freestyle 5/Open Gold (Adult)	Adult Gold



**COMPETITIVE PROGRESSION THROUGH THE LEVELS OF U.S. FIGURE SKATING**

Singles athletes begin with Compete USA competitions. Once athletes begin the official U.S. Figure Skating test structure, they can choose to enter the Excel, Well-Balanced or Adult levels as appropriate for their ability, test level, and age. Test requirements are the same for the Excel and Well-Balanced levels. It is completely the choice of the athlete which track to follow; athletes may switch between tracks as best suits their development, but may not enter the same type of event in multiple tracks. Competitive level is determined by highest free skate test passed.



See current rulebook or click [here](#) for current rules and requirements.

**FREE SKATE & SHORT PROGRAM SINGLES**

[Snowplow Sam - Free Skate 6 Program \(with music\)](#)

[Excel Free Skate](#)

[Singles Short Program \(Juvenile - Senior\)](#)

[Singles Well Balanced Free Skate \(No Test - Senior\)](#)

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WELL BALANCED AND EXCEL INTERMEDIATE AND NOVICE LONG PROGRAM LENGTH REQUIREMENTS CHANGED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2019 TO THE FOLLOWING:**

**Intermediate: 3:00 +/- 10 seconds**

**Novice: 3:30 +/- 10 seconds**

**COMPULSORY MOVES - SINGLES**

[Snowplow Sam - Free Skate 6 Program](#)

[Excel Compulsory \(Excel Beginner - Excel Preliminary\)](#)

[Compulsory Moves \(No Test - Senior\)](#)

**SPECIALITY EVENTS - SINGLES**

[Jumps Challenge](#)

[Spin Challenge](#)

[Step Sequences](#)

**ADULT EVENTS**

[Adult Singles Free Skate](#)

**SHOWCASE**

[Light Entertainment](#)

[Showcase Events - Duet Events](#)