2022 Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating



Welcome to our 12th season! The Skating Council of Illinois offers skaters the opportunity to earn an invitation to the Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating by competing in designated Free Skate categories at our competitions. The top six (6) skaters in each Grand Prix-designated category, who have competed at a minimum of four (4) Grand Prix competitions, will be invited to compete, at no cost, at the Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating. This year's competition will be held at the Oak Lawn Ice Arena on September 25, 2022. Special

recognition will be given to skaters who compete in all 8 events. Grand Prix information and standings will be posted on the Skating Council of Illinois website at http://www.skatingcouncilofillinois.org/

2022 Competitions:

March 24-27 - W.I.M. - Greater Milwaukee FSC

April 20-24 - Ladybug - Glenwood FSC

June 10-12 – Quad Cities Championships – FSC of the Quad-Cities

June 15-18 – Southport Summer Classic – Southport SC

July 22-24 - Chicago Open - Chicago FSC

August 19-21 – Skate the Lake – Cutting Edge FSC

September 8-11 – Greater Chicagoland Fall Invitational – Wagon Wheel FSC

Designated Free Skate Categories:

Well-Balanced Levels

| No-Test | Pre-Preliminary | Preliminary | Pre-Juvenile |
|----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Juvenile | Open Juvenile | Intermediate | Novice |
| Junior | Senior | | |

Excel Levels

| Excel Beginner | Excel High Beginner | Excel Pre-Preliminary | Excel Preliminary |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Excel Preliminary Plus | Excel Pre-Juvenile | Excel Pre-Juvenile Plus | Excel Juvenile |
| Excel Juvenile Plus | Excel Intermediate | Excel Intermediate Plus | Excel Novice |
| Excel Junior | Excel Senior | | |

Please Note: Individual Competitions may offer other Free Skate levesl; however, those levels are NOT eligible for the Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating. Use of the IJS scoring system below Well-Balanced Juvenile and for any Excel level is at the option of each competition's local organizing committee. Grand Prix standings are not affected by whether 6.0 or IJS is used at these levels.

Awards:

The designated Free Skate events of each competition will be eligible for accumulating points. The system for scoring points for the final award will be as follows:

| Placement | Points | Placement | Points |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|
| 1 st place | 10 points | 2 nd place | 7 points |
| 3 rd place | 4 points | 4 th place | 3 points |
| 5 th place | 2 points | Participation | 1 point |
| Bonus for Final Round | | | 1 point |

Competitors who perform their free skate program more than once at a competition (i.e., qualifying and championship rounds) will receive the highest points earned for any one performance. If an event has less than 6 skaters, the points will be awarded as if there were 6 skaters in the group. If there is only one skater in the group, he or she will be awarded 5 points. At the end of the Series, the top six (6) skaters in each Grand Prix-designated category, who have competed at a minimum of four (4) Grand Prix competitions, will be invited to compete, at no cost, at the Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I enter the Grand Prix Final? The top 6 competitors in each category who have competed in at least 4 competitions will be invited to compete at no cost to the skater. The Skating Council of Illinois and our participating clubs are sponsoring this event. Eligible competitors will be sent invitations immediately following the Greater Chicagoland Fall Invitational. Practice Ice will be available for purchase. There may also be vendors, including video and still photography.

What if I'm not in the Top 6 or haven't competed in 4 competitions? Other competitors may enter the Final at their own expense via EntryEeze.

Who will keep my points and how will I know how many points I have? Ed Mann, a National Accountant, will tabulate points as the season progresses. Standings will be posted on the Skating Council of Illinois web site at www.skatingcouncilofillinois.org It is the responsibility of each competitor to verify the accuracy of the points posted on the website. Discrepancies should be brought to the attention of Ed Mann.

What happens to my points if I change levels during the season? Your points stay with you if you skate at more than one level. Eligibility to skate at the Illinois Grand Prix of Figure Skating will be determined by the competitor's most recent competition level.

Who can I ask if I have more questions? Contact any Skating Council of Illinois officer, or visit www.skatingcouncilofillinois.org and click on "Contact Us."