

## RETURN TO SKATE at BOWIE ICE ARENA – revised effective January 11, 2022

We are excited to welcome our skating family back to the ice arena. Effective Tuesday, January 11, 2022, the rink will operate with limited capacity, modified schedules and revised policies following the CDC, State of Maryland, Prince George's County, City of Bowie, USA Hockey and ISI guidelines. Protocol is subject to change and is based on City Council and Prince George's County mandates.

*Series 2 learn-to-skate classes and ISI Teams will begin again on January 13, 14 and 15<sup>th</sup>. Pushing the schedule back one week will end classes for the series on February 3, 11 and 12. Series 3 classes will begin February 17 and continue through March 31.*

All staff has been trained on approved cleaning methods, the use of PPE, social distancing guidelines and how best to communicate effectively and consistently with users should issues arise.

*Capacity limits for public sessions (75), stick & puck (20), and pickup figure skating (20) will be enforced.*

Entrance for all activities will be through the main front doors. Exit for all activities will be through the side hockey doors. This will help eliminate any issues with foot traffic congestion.

Face coverings must be worn by staff and patrons. Patrons will be asked to leave the premises if they are not wearing their face covering properly. This is a Prince George's County Executive Order that remains in effect.

Patrons are asked to arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to scheduled activity and leave immediately following the activity. No congregating on or off the ice or in the parking lot area. Front doors will be secured during rentals to limit access to the building.

Patrons should come fully dressed as the locker rooms will not be available. Chairs/benches will be available to put skates on in the lobby. Bags will not be permitted inside the facility; remember to secure all valuables in the available lockers or leave them at home. All shoes/personal belongings must be moved to the rink area before taking the ice. At the end of the session please exit the ice and use the chairs and benches located in the rink area to take your skates off and exit through the Hockey Entrance. Skaters are encouraged to wear hard skate guards to allow easy entrance and exit to and from the facility. No undressing inside the facility.

Goalies will be permitted to put their pads on in the meeting room while maintaining distancing guidelines and always wearing masks. Goalies are expected to enter the facility with their base layers on to limit time spent in the meeting rooms putting pads on.

Rental skates are available. Shoes and bags will not be stored behind the rental skate counter. Rental skates should be left on the designated cart at the end of the session. Staff will collect rental skates from the rink area and disinfect them before storing them. This procedure will limit patrons from re-entering the lobby area after the sessions.

Skating aides/walkers will be available upon request. Please request a walker in the office. Walkers must be returned to the designated area after use to allow for staff to disinfect them before the next use.

Please do not leave walkers unattended or share walkers with others. Walkers are available first-come-first-served.

Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the facility in the lobby, office area, rink area and meeting rooms. Cleaning/disinfecting all frequently touched surfaces will occur at least once every two hours. All CDC guidelines will be followed, and employees will wear appropriate PPE.

One parent will be permitted per child. Parents are expected to supervise children to help ensure guidelines are being followed. Non-skating siblings may enter with a parent but must remain with the parent. No horseplay inside the facility. Additional parents and spectators may view the on-ice activities by using the LiveBarn subscription service.

Signage is posted throughout the facility including signage on benches, signage identifying hand sanitizing stations and reminders for patrons to maintain 6-foot social distancing and wear face coverings. All patrons are expected to abide by the posted signage and will be asked to vacate the premises if they do not follow the posted protocol.

Tables and chairs have been removed to eliminate high touch surfaces. Benches are spread out throughout the lobby and in the rink area to allow patrons to maintain social distancing. The bleacher area may be used by parents and spectators. Please abide by distancing guidelines and wear masks.

Water bottle filling station is available for use in the lobby. The Penalty Box Café will not be open for business. No outside food permitted at this time.

Pro Skate is open for business – masks are required. Please call 240-331-6552 for their hours of operation.

Management has limited scheduled activities and increased time between activities to allow additional time to disinfect surfaces and have patrons clear the facility.

Ice Arena restrooms to be limited to ice rink patrons only. Park patrons are asked to use the restrooms in the park.

No spitting on the ice or in the bench area. No handshakes, high fives, or other celebratory contact between the players/teams.

Private rentals may implement additional guidelines and restrictions and are responsible for enforcing them with their users.