

## TWIN CITY FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

## **COMPETE USA SERIES**

TCFSA COMPETE USA SERIES MISSION STATEMENT: The series aims to promote an introductory competitive experience for the beginning TCFSA member skaters, allowing them to develop U.S. Figure Skating basic skills in an enjoyable environment. The Twin City Figure Skating Association (TCFSA) Compete USA Competition Series is sponsored solely by TCFSA and is a U.S. Figure Skating-approved Basic Skills Series. Competition announcements and entry forms will be posted on the official website of each participating competition. COMPETE USA and ASPIRE skaters are automatically registered and will have the opportunity to compete at 10 different local TCFSA member competitions to earn points for a final standing. Skaters MUST participate in at least two competitions to be eligible for an award. Awards will be presented to the top three skaters with the highest point totals in each level at the end of the series. Skaters competing in more than five competitions will use their five highest placements. Point accumulation information will be available at <a href="https://www.tcfsa.org">www.tcfsa.org</a> in the COMPETE USA section. A team trophy will be awarded to the TCFSA member club accumulating the most points during the series season.

**THE POINT SYSTEM:** Each skater must be a member in good standing of a TCFSA member club or COMPETE USA program. Each Basic Skills program event, as well as the High Beginner and Beginner events, in each of the series competitions, will be eligible for points. The system for scoring points for the final standing will be as follows:

PLACE	POINTS
1	5
2	4
3	3
4	2

All competitors who place 5<sup>th</sup> or lower will be awarded one participation point. Per the U.S. Figure Skating Compete USA webpage, if there is only one skater in the group, he or she will be awarded three points. Also, should a skater move up a level during the competition series season, their points will follow them to the next level. They will also be rewarded with two bonus points for moving up to a different level one time during the series season and then one additional bonus point for moving up a second and third time, for a maximum of 4 points.

**ELIGIBILITY and RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS:** The TCFSA COMPETE USA series is open to all skaters who are current eligible members of either the Learn to Skate program or full members of U.S. Figure Skating through a TCFSA member club. Eligibility is based on the skill level as of the closing date of entries.

All Snowplow Sam and Basic Skills skaters through Basic 6 must skate at their highest level passed and have NOT passed any US Figure Skating tests, including Skating Skills or dance tests. Males and females may be placed in the same group. The competitions in the series will be conducted under the rules set forth by the U.S. Figure Skating COMPETE USA and ASPIRE program. Skating levels included in the TCFSA series are Snowplow Sam, Basic 1 through Basic 6, Pre-Free Skate through Free Skate 6 (through Dec. 31, 2023), Aspire 1-4 (beginning Jan 1, 2024), Beginner, and High Beginner. Elements for each level will be included in the individual announcement for each competition.

## **SCHEDULE of 2023-2024 PARTICIPATING COMPETITIONS\*:**

Competition	Host Club	Website	Month of Competition
Maplewood Fall Classic	Maplewood FSC	www.mfscskate.org	September 2023
Hiawathaland	Rochester FSC	www.rochesterfsc.org	Oct 2023
Rising Stars	Northern Blades NSC FSC	www.northernblades.org	October 2023
Autumn Skate Festival	Burnsville MN Valley FSC	www.bmvfsc.org	November 2023
Skate in the Park	Three Rivers FSC	www.threeriversfsc.org	February 2024
Sunflower Classic	Lake Minnetonka FSC	www.lmfsc.org	March 2024
Star of the North	Chaska FSC	www.chaskafsc.com	April 2024
Skate Bloomington	FSC of Bloomington	www.fscofbloomington.org	April 2024
Rosebud Basic Skills	Roseville FSC	www.rosevillefsc.org	May 2024
June Bug	St. Paul FSC	www.spfsc.org	May2024
Braemar Competition	Braemar City of Lakes FSC	www.braemarfsc.org	June 2024

<sup>\*</sup>As of Sept. 26, 2023