



## 2025 Providence Open

Hosted by

The Pawtucket and Providence Figure Skating Club Schneider Arena, Providence College

331 Huxley Avenue

Providence, RI 02908

April 3-6, 2025

# **Events:**

Solo Dance-part of the **2025 Solo Dance Series** (see page 2)

Singles: Aspire, Well-Balanced, Excel, Adaptive

Singles events include the *Little New England Championships*. (see page 2)

Showcase

This event is sanctioned by US Figure Skating.

### I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The **2025 Providence Open** 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, (if offering compete USA events) Learn to Skate USA 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.

#### **COVID-19 INFORMATION:**

For the most recent U.S. Figure Skating COVID-19 policy requirements, go to: https://www.usfigureskating.org/coronavirus.

#### **SOLO DANCE SERIES INFORMATION:**

**2025 Solo Dance Series:** This competition has been approved as a 2025 Solo Dance Series host. Skaters must register to participate in the Solo Dance Series prior to competition at designated competitions in order to have their points recorded and seen in standings.

Solo Dance Series Registration | Solo Dance Series Information

See our website ppfsc.org for links for the Solo Dance Series Registration and the Solo Dance Series Information.

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### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:**

Little New England Championships:

In the Little New England Championships, the number of skaters entering each event will determine if an initial round will be held prior to the final round. If there are initial rounds in an event, the top four skaters from each flight will advance to the finals.

Skaters may enter only **one** *Little New England* event.

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Skaters are not permitted to enter an Excel Free Skate and a Well-Balanced Free Skate at this competition. However, they may enter a short program and an Excel Free Skate program at the same level.

#### **EVENTS OFFERED:**

Click HERE to view the program requirements for the current season.

All skaters will receive a download link for videos of their performances.

SINGLES	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Excel Free Skate Preliminary Plus through Senior	IJS	\$210	\$155
Excel Free Skate Aspire 1-4, Excel Pre-Preliminary and Excel Preliminary	6.0	\$145	\$115
Well Balanced Short Program	IJS	\$210	\$155
Well Balanced Free Skate- Pre-Juvenile-Senior	IJS	\$210	\$155
Well Balanced Free Skate Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary	6.0	\$145	\$115
SHOWCASE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Lyrical Pop (Pre-Juvenile-Senior)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Lyrical Pop (Aspire 1-4, Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary)	6.0	\$145	\$115
SOLO DANCE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Solo Pattern Dance (National Solo Dance series)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Solo Combined Dance (National Solo Dance series)	IJS	\$210	\$155
Shadow Dance (National Solo Dance series)	IJS	\$210	\$155
ADAPTIVE	JUDGING	1 <sup>st</sup> Event Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> Event Price
Special Olympics – Free Skate Program Levels 1-4	6.0	\$110	\$85

### **II. ELIGIBILITY**

### **TEST LEVEL**:

Competition level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. At this competition, skating up **is not** permitted. Note: Athletes may not skate down in any event.

### SKATESAFE COMPLIANCE:

For full details about SkateSafe compliance at U.S. Figure Skating competitions, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe webpage: <a href="https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe">www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe</a>.

### **COACHES**

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the compliance requirements listed below and verified by the U.S. Figure Skating. There will be a limit of ONE coach credential per registered athlete).

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via "My Coaches." All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included on the skater's registration confirmation email. Note: There is no registration approval process within EMS as the data (membership and test level) is tied to the U.S. Figure Skating database.

### EMS Coach Resources:

- My Competitions
- My Skaters
- Coach Schedule
- Coach/Choreographer Compliance Requirements (domestic/non-foreign)
- Learn to Skate USA Instructor Compliance Requirements (Compete USA events only)
- Foreign Coach/Choreographer Compliance Requirements
  - ✓ Required to present the LOC with a letter from their federation verifying they are a member in good standing.

For additional information regarding Coach Compliance, please visit the Coach Compliance page.

#### 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: 03/01/2025 at 11:59 pm ET

Late Registration Deadline: 03/08/2025 at 11:59 pm ET + \$25 Late Fee

**IMPORTANT!** PPFSC reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met.

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

#### **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 "Create Account (

### MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

**EMS MUSIC UPLOAD**: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **03/22/2025 ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$25 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.

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

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.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) SUBMISSION/UPLOAD – FOR IJS EVENTS ONLY:
EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than 03/22/2025 ET. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature in EMS and subject to a \$25 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.

If you need assistance, email <a href="mailto:productsupport@usfigureskating.org">productsupport@usfigureskating.org</a>

#### **REFUND POLICY**

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. For withdrawals before the deadline, credit card processing fees are NOT refundable. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals.

Contested credit card charges will incur a \$25.00. fee. This fee is nonrefundable.

#### LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA, Pawtucket and Providence FSC and Schneider Arena 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.

### **IV. COMPETITION DETAILS**

### **FACILITIES**:

Schneider Arena, Providence College 331 Huxley Avenue, Providence, RI 02908

https://friars.com/sports/2018/6/15/facilities-schneider-arena-html.aspx

The size of the ice surface is  $85 \times 200$  feet. The rink has a very comfortable temperature. The snack bar at the rink will not be open. (This is subject to change.) Please check our website for updates as we get closer to the competition date.

<u>PARKING INFORMATION:</u> Schneider Arena is located at the corner of Admiral Street and Huxley Avenue. Street parking is sometimes available on Huxley Avenue, but that is not guaranteed. For another parking option, drive on Huxley Avenue past Schneider Arena until you reach the security gate. Tell the guard that you are going to Schneider Arena. You will be directed to the parking garage, which is close to the Schneider entrance.

Regardless of where you park your car, you should proceed to the entrance for Schneider Arena that is near the parking garage. This is the location for skater check-in and the spectator entrance to the ice.

**IMPORTANT!** If using GPS, do **NOT** use the main address for Providence College; you will end up on the opposite side of the campus. Use the address of Schneider Arena, 331 Huxley Avenue, Providence, RI.

There is no charge for parking in the garage.

**ADMISSION:** Skaters receive one free admission for a family member or guest.

All others:

- \$10 per adult
- \$5 for children under the age of twelve and seniors (60 and over)
- No charge for children under the age of three

Admission must be paid in cash.

<u>LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS:</u> Locker rooms and changing areas will **not** be available this competition. All athletes are expected to arrive at the arena ready to compete (costumes, hair, make-up etc.). Athletes will be provided with an area to put skates on but changing will not be permitted in these spaces.

## **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 SkateSafe Handbook.

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

It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the our website (ppfsc.org) frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition.

#### **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.

Starting orders and results will be posted on line.

**PRACTICE ICE:** Practice ice will be available at a cost of \$30 for 20 minutes. Skaters will be able to purchase practice ice after the competition schedule has been posted; the dates for purchases will be announced in advance to all registered skaters.

**REGISTRATION:** Registration will begin one hour before the first event and run through the last event of the day. The registration table will be located in the main lobby of Schneider Arena. Please register promptly on arrival.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be presented for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place finishers in each event.

**In Little New England events only**, trophies will be presented to the top four finishers in the final round (if needed).

Awards will be given out in the lobby of Schneider Arena.

### PHOTO/VIDEO:

All skaters will receive a video download of each event in which they skate.

There will be still photography and video through Cinematic Images Photography. They will be set up in the main lobby of Schneider Arena. If you have questions, contact their website at https://cinematic-images.com.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Hotel information will be available on our website.

- Airport-Rhode Island T.F. Green International Airport (Providence)

# **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Competition website: https://ppfsc.org

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For questions, please contact the following individuals:

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