



2026 LeeAnn Miele Synchronized Skating Open

November 8, 2026

Hosted by

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

Sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating

I. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

The 2026 LeeAnn Miele Synchronized Skating Open will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of U.S. Figure Skating, as set forth in the [current rulebook](#), and/or [current Compete USA handbook](#) as well as any pertinent updates that have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating [website](#).

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 independent member in accordance with the current rulebook. For non-U.S. citizens, please refer to the [rulebook](#) for more information.

II. ELIGIBILITY

Synchronized Skating:

- For synchronized skating teams, this competition does **not** require that skating skills test requirements for the team's level be met, except for the maximum allowed at the Compete USA levels (Snowplow Sam Synchro and Aspire levels).

EVENTS OFFERED:

- **U.S. Figure Skating Program Requirements:** usfigureskating.org --> Skate --> Compete --> Program Requirements
- **Compete USA Program Requirements:** learntoskateusa.com/competeusa
- **Skate United:** For any Skate United (S.U.) Athlete, please have them register for their appropriate level under the “standard” option. Once the registration is complete, the following form must be submitted to the competition chair via email gahaddad@earthlink.net
 - Click here for the Skate United Athlete Form.
- **Skating Accommodation Memorandum (S.A.M.):** Skaters using a S.A.M. must submit their S.A.M. to the competition chair via email at gahaddad@earthlink.net
 - [Click here for more information about S.A.Ms.](#)
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SYNCHRONIZED SKATING	JUDGING	Team Fee	Skater Fee
Aspire 1	CJS	\$185	\$15
Aspire 2	CJS	\$185	\$15
Aspire 3	CJS	\$185	\$15
Aspire 4	CJS	\$185	\$15
Unified (1-3)	IJS	\$350	\$15
Preliminary	IJS	\$350	\$40
Pre-Juvenile	IJS	\$350	\$40
Open Juvenile	IJS	\$350	\$40
Juvenile	IJS	\$350	\$40
Intermediate	IJS	\$350	\$40
Novice	IJS	\$350	\$40
Junior Short Program	IJS	\$350	\$40
Junior Free Skate	IJS	\$350	\$40
Junior Combined (Short & Free)	IJS	\$500	\$40
Senior Short Program	IJS	\$350	\$40
Senior Free Skate	IJS	\$350	\$40
Senior Combined (Short & Free)	IJS	\$500	\$40
Collegiate	IJS	\$350	\$40
Adult	IJS	\$350	\$40
Masters	IJS	\$350	\$40
Open Collegiate	IJS	\$350	\$40
Open Adult	IJS	\$350	\$40
Open Masters	IJS	\$350	\$40

OUR COMMUNITY:

U.S. Figure Skating is dedicated to fostering a culture of belonging and community that is welcoming for all individuals. We are committed to championing diversity, equity and inclusion and understanding its value in combating discrimination and challenging inequalities necessary to develop champions both on and off the ice. We are actively working toward developing equitable practices and policies that foster safety and empower all individuals to authentically pursue their unique path in all areas of our sport. We stand firmly on the belief that our members are the most important asset to our organization and that our differences are meaningful and strengthen our sport. We believe that skating is for everyone.

NON-DISCRIMINATION:

U.S. Figure Skating commits in policy, principle and practice to sustain a non-discriminatory approach on and off the ice for all members. We strive to provide equal opportunity for all despite their varied backgrounds, experiences and identities, and want all members to feel valued and respected at every level of organization. U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® Program receives, investigates and addresses allegations of discrimination or harassment throughout its membership and the organization. Please refer to the [SkateSafe® Program Handbook](#) for further definition of harassment, discrimination and abuse.

By attending this event, all participants are willingly committing to upholding U.S. Figure Skating's Code of Ethics (*GR 2.00*) and Code of Conduct (*GR 3.00*), as detailed within the [U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook](#).

To report a concern of discrimination or harassment to U.S. Figure Skating, please visit www.USFigureSkating.org/SkateSafe or email SkateSafe@USFigureSkating.org.

ATHLETE ASSISTANCE/ACCOMMODATIONS:

Should a skater with disabilities require any specific accommodations or assistance for their competitive event, please submit your approved S.A.M to the Competition Chair by the registration deadline at gahaddad@earthlink.net

COMPLIANCE:

For full details about participant compliance requirements, refer to the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® webpage: <https://www.usfigureskating.org/skatesafe#compliance>.

COACHES

To be an eligible coach at a nonqualifying competition, coaches must meet the applicable compliance requirements and be verified by U.S. Figure Skating. Coach compliance falls into two categories, Coach Compliance (including choreographers) and Learn to Skate USA® Instructor Compliance. Details regarding compliance requirements can be found in Members Only, click the blue "COACH" button. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions.

Coaches of foreign athletes: If you are a coach of a foreign athlete only, you are not subject to U.S. Figure Skating coach compliance and will only be asked to provide a letter of good standing for the federation your athlete represents.

Credentials will be issued to two coaches per registered team.

With EMS, coaches must be included within a skater/team's registration or updated through their EMS Skater Portal via "[My Coaches](#)" or "Team Personnel." All coaches declared at the time of registration will be included in the 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. Non-compliant coaches will receive automated email reminders through the start of the competition.

EMS Coach Resources (SYS or TOI only):

[Team Management Guide](#)

TEAM SERVICE PERSONNEL (Required if you are offering any team events)

Teams are permitted a maximum of two team service personnel. Team service personnel must have a current U.S. Figure Skating or Learn to Skate USA® membership, a green lighted background check and completed SafeSport™ Training. All compliance requirements must be met at the time of check-in to access the competition, no exceptions. Team service personnel is defined as those indicated as a team manager and/or team service personnel planning to attend the competition with the team.

IF USING EMS: All team personnel and skaters who will need to receive a credential must be listed in the Team Portal for the competition (Team Personnel for coaches and team managers; Competition Roster for skaters and alternates). In order to be added in EMS, the individual must first be added in the team's profile through Member's Only.

MANDATORY ATHLETES (Required if you are offering any team or partner events)

Athletes age 18+ as of the competition start date who will be competing on a team (i.e., synchro, ice dance, pairs, shadow dance, theatre, etc.) with at least one Minor Athlete must complete SafeSport™ Training. *

Minor athletes who turn 18 mid-season are encouraged to seek parental consent to take the online SafeSport™ Training early to avoid any disruptions in their ability to participate as the training is required upon turning 18. The athlete will not be compliant until they have completed the training and their Members Only portal reflects completion. Please email skatesafe@usfigureskating.org for instructions or questions regarding parental consent.

III. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA EMS (Synchro teams)

All teams are required to register online via the U.S. Figure Skating Event Management System (EMS). Anyone listed as a team manager or coach for a team in their Members Only Team Profile will be able to access the registration system. Registration for the competition is not considered final until online payment has been received. Online payment via credit card is the only form of accepted payment for registration in EMS.

Registration Deadline: September 28, 2026, at 11:59 p.m.*

Late Registration Deadline: October 3, 2026 at 11:59 p.m.*, plus a \$50 Late Fee

*The host club reserves the right to close registration at any time if event capacity is met

1. Go to <https://m.usfigureskating.org>.
2. Use your personal member number and password to login.
3. Click the **BLUE** “EMS Event Management System” button.
4. Choose “Competition Registration – Teams” from the menu.
5. Select the team you would like to register for competition.
6. Click the REGISTER NOW button next to your competition’s name.
NOTE: Only the competitions for which your team(s) are eligible will appear.
7. Walk through the on-screen registration process which will include:
 - a. Team Verification: Confirm the team’s information is accurate.
 - b. Registration Overview: Review general information about the competition.
 - c. Event Selection: Confirm the event you are registering the team for is accurate.
 - d. Competition Roster Selection: Click the “**Add Skaters**” link. The screen will display all skaters listed in your Main Roster. Check the box next to each skater’s name to add them to the competition roster.
 - e. Coach Information: Click the “**Add Coaches**” link. The screen will display all coaches listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each coach’s name to add them. Only the coaches who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add coaches who are listed in your Team Profile.
 - f. Team Service Personnel Information: Click the “**Add Team Service Personnel**” to add attending team service personnel. The screen will display team managers and team service personnel listed in your Team Profile. Check the box next to each name to add them. Only the team service personnel who will be attending this competition should be listed. This information can also be updated from your EMS Team Portal. You will only be able to add team service personnel who are listed in your Team Profile.
8. Payment via credit card will be required to complete your registration as it is the only accepted form of payment for registration in EMS. Registrations are not considered complete until an invoice confirmation via email has been received. A 3% processing fee will be assessed at check-out.

NOTE: Payment must be submitted individually for each team's registration. If you are planning on registering multiple teams in a short period of time, it is recommended that you contact your credit card company to prevent anti-fraud systems from being activated.

FOREIGN SYNCHRO TEAMS:

Additional steps are required to complete your registration. For a full guide to registering foreign teams, [CLICK HERE](#). Email memberservices@usfigureskating.org if you require assistance.

CRITIQUES/FEEDBACK

Please note the following.

1. Critiques will be offered **AT NO CHARGE** to all teams. However, they **MUST** indicate that they do want a critique during the registration process.
2. A digital download of each team's performance photos and video is **INCLUDED** in the registration fee. See page 8 for more details.

Other information:

ALL registered teams will be sent an email that contains the following question and possible answers. We ask all teams to cooperate and send their replies as soon as possible.

If your team is the only entry in its division, how do you want to proceed?

_____ We will exhibit and receive an award and a critique (if one was requested).

_____ We will withdraw and receive a refund, minus credit card processing fees.

MUSIC SUBMISSION/UPLOAD:

EMS MUSIC UPLOAD: Competitors participating in events with music are required to upload their music to EMS no later than **October 25, 2026 at 11:59 pm ET**. After this date, skaters will be locked out of this feature and subject to a **\$25.00 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.

EMS SKATER MUSIC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK](#)

[HERE](#)

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.

EMS PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC) – Competitors participating in IJS events are required to submit PPC in EMS no later than **October 25, 2026 at 11:59 pm ET** After this date, skaters will be locked

EMS PPC UPLOAD HOW TO: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you need assistance, email productsupport@usfigureskating.org

REFUND POLICY

Entry fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. Credit card fees are not refundable.

LIABILITY:

U.S. Figure Skating, Learn to Skate USA®, Pawtucket and Providence Figure Skating Club, 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

<https://friars.com/facilities/schneider-arena/6>

Rink size: 200' x 85' This arena has a very comfortable temperature. The snack bar at the rink will not be open. Please check our website for updates as we get closer to the competition date. There are many restaurants in the area.

PARKING INFORMATION: 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. Depending on campus activities on the day of the competition, the security guard may direct you to a parking area other than the garage. 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 to the competition will be charged. Details will be available on our website at a later date.

TEAM LOCKER ROOMS:

The designated team coach, team manager, team service personnel and athletes competing at the skating event are allowed in the Locker Rooms/Changing Area designated for their team. The team coach, team manager, and team service personnel must remove themselves from the Locker Room/Changing Area while any Minor Athlete(s) are actively changing or undressing. All Locker Rooms/Changing Areas will be monitored. If any concerns arise, immediately contact the Locker Room/Changing Area monitor. If there are concerns regarding this policy, an athlete should change prior to arriving at the competition. The use of any recording and photographic devices inside a Locker Room/Changing Area is strictly prohibited. Any violation of this policy is punishable under the U.S. Figure Skating SkateSafe® policy and U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook.

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 who are at least 8 years of age 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:

The official event website is ppfsc.org. PPFSC will post updates and announcements on the club website and email, as appropriate. It is the responsibility of each competitor, parent and coach to check the website and email frequently for any schedule changes and/or additional information pertaining to the competition.

Teams may be scheduled to compete at any time during the announced date 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.

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.

PRACTICE ICE:

UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE ICE (UPI):

Unofficial practice ice will be available for purchase online during the registration process. Each team will be able to purchase only one practice session during this period. Please refer to the following list for the durations and costs of practice ice sessions. Once entries have closed, any remaining practice ice sessions will be available for purchase; all registered teams will be notified of any available sessions.

Unofficial Practice Ice Sessions		
Length of Session	Fee	Teams
6 minutes	\$78	Aspire
7 minutes	\$91	Preliminary
8 minutes	\$104	Pre-Juvenile, Open Juvenile, Juvenile, Adult, Masters, Open Collegiate, Open Adult, Open Masters
10 minutes	\$130	Intermediate, Novice, Junior Short Program, Senior Short Program, Special Olympics Unified events
11 minutes	\$143	Junior Free Skate, Collegiate
12 minutes	\$156	Senior Free Skate

- Practice ice will be scheduled at various times on the day of the competition.
- Practice ice fees will not be refunded after entry deadline unless no competition exists or the event is canceled.

Music will be played during a team's practice session.

Music for all teams and the PPC for IJS teams must be uploaded to EMS. Directions for uploading will be posted on the EMS site.

Teams must also have available a backup copy of their competition music on a cell phone and it must be immediately available rinkside whenever the team 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.

If you are participating in a role requiring compliance, please be sure to [download or print your compliance card](#) to verify your compliance status on-site, if requested. If you believe your compliance card does not accurately reflect your compliance status, please contact skatesafe@usfigureskating.org at least 2 business days prior to the competition for assistance.

AWARDS:

For Aspire 1-4 events: There will be no more than six competitors in a group, and all six will receive an award.

For all other events: Medals will be awarded to all skaters for first, second, third, and fourth place.

Information regarding the location of awards will be posted on our website as we get closer to the competition.

VOLUNTEER INFO:

Volunteers are welcome to assist in the running of this competition. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Janice Delano at jan102500@comcast.net.

Information about volunteer schedules and signups will be available on the competition website.

VOLUNTEER COMPLIANCE:

Reminder: Compliant positions at all U.S. Figure Skating events include LOC leadership, locker room monitors and emergency medical providers.

PHOTO/VIDEO:

Live and on-demand streaming, and sales and distribution of U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned and approved events, programs, and activities that include the playback of music is strictly prohibited. This prohibition does not apply to the distribution of footage that does not include music. Questions about this can be directed to music@usfigureskating.org.

The Official Photographer and Videographer for this event is Cinematic Images.

A digital download of each team's performance photos and video is INCLUDED in the registration fee.

A link will be emailed to your team coordinator approximately 1 to 2 weeks after the close of the event.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Official hotel accommodations – Please check our website (ppfsc.org) at a later date for details.
- Airport information- PVD (Providence) is the closest airport. BOS (Boston) is about an hour's drive away.
- Tentative schedule- The competition will start on Sunday, November 8, at 8 a.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Competition website: <https://ppfsc.org>

For questions, please contact the following individuals:

Competition Chair:	Gloria Haddad	gahaddad@earthlink.net	508-212-2611
Chief Referee:	Tom Sobell	tsobell@gmail.com	603-718 9532
Practice Ice Chair:	Janice Delano	jan102500@comcast.net	508-662-9966
Additional Contact:	Name	E-mail	Phone