



## WSFC Varsity Lettering Program 2023-2024

The purpose of this program is to recognize the accomplishments and time commitment of the Watertown Figure Skate Club's figure skaters with a varsity letter award to those who meet the requirements. Athletic recognition is important. The time demands of figure skating often preclude student participation in much of the regular high school varsity sports programs.

Home Club Members of the Watertown Figure Skate Club (WFSC) earn a Varsity Letter in figure skating by meeting certain criteria during the skating season. All skaters interested in the lettering program are **required** to register with the WFSC Lettering Coordinator(s) by **November 11, 2023** and complete the requirements by **April 12, 2024**.

### First time letters are awarded for achieving following criteria:

- Pass Pre-Preliminary Moves in the Field and Free Skate test OR Pass Preliminary Dance (set of 3 dances)
- Skater must participate in at least 3 additional "public" events during current season. You may count two competitions as the required 3 additional events and so on.
  - These events could be:
    - USFS Sanctioned Competitions
    - USFS Testing Session
    - WFSC Ice Show
    - WFSC Camps
    - Other US Sanctioned Exhibitions (ex: Groton Silver Blades Event)

*\*Should COVID-19 hinder the participation of any of the above events, exceptions will be made at the discretion of the WFSC Board of Directors. If events are held, and skaters choose not to participate to meet the requirements, they will be disqualified from lettering.*

### Other Requirements:

- Skaters must be enrolled in grades 7-12 in order to be eligible to letter. Collegiate or adult members are not eligible.
- Skaters must also participate in a minimum of 70 hours of on ice skating on WFSC ice (Club Ice, Apprenticing, Camps, Coaching, Ice Show, etc) during the current season year (October - April) Hours must be tracked on their registration form and signed by their parent and coach.
- Skater must be a member in good standing with WFSC and USFS having no discipline, grievance matters, or any violations of any kind against them during the current season.
- Skater must abide by all USFS and WFSC Code of Conduct, rules, and guidelines as set forth.
- Eligible skaters must adhere to all their school district rules (if school district does not participate, Watertown School will be default school), policies, and requirements concerning student activities including attendance, conduct, scholastic standing, and other eligibility requirements.
- Skater must train under the supervision of an approved WFSC/USFS professional coach.
- **Skater must submit a mandatory midseason lettering form with parent, coach/board and skater signature to the WFSC Lettering coordinator by January 6, 2024.**
- **Skater must submit all remaining documentation including the lettering form with parent, skater and coach/board signature, to the WFSC Lettering Coordinator by April 19, 2024.** The Lettering Coordinator will verify the number of skated hours.
- Time shall be submitted in 10 minute increments.
- If the skater fails to adhere to any of the requirements, the skater forfeits the right to letter for that season.

### Injury or Medical Condition

Any candidate who is experiencing a significant medical absence preventing them from meeting the 70 hours of on ice time may be given consideration for an exception. A doctor's note must be submitted.

**This policy may be modified at any time at the discretion of the WFSC Board of Directors**



## WFSC Varsity Re-Lettering Program 2022-2023

**To re-letter in succeeding years a skater needs to achieve two (2) out of the three following criteria:**

- Home Club Members of the Watertown Figure Skate Club (WFSC) earn their re-lettering pin in figure skating by meeting certain criteria during the skating season.
- **All skaters interested in the lettering program are required to register with the WFSC Lettering Coordinator(s) by November 11, 2023 and complete the requirements by April 12, 2024.**
- Must attempt at least one US Figure Skating official skate test during the current season, with the exception of any skater who has passed their Senior Moves and Freeskate Tests.
- Skater must participate in at least 2 additional “public” events during current season.
  - These events could be:
    - Competition
    - USFS Testing Session
    - WFSC Ice Show
    - WFSC Camps
    - Sanctioned Exhibitions (ex: Groton Silver Blades Event)

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### **Other Requirements:**

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- Skaters must be enrolled in grades 7-12 in order to be eligible to letter. Collegiate or adult members are not eligible.
- Skaters must also participate in a minimum of 50 hours of on ice skating on WFSC home ice (Club Ice, Apprenticing, Camps, Coaching, Ice Show, etc) during the current season year (October -April) Hours must be tracked on their registration form and signed by their parent and coach.
- Skater must be a member in good standing with WFSC and USFS having no discipline, grievance matters, or any violations of any kind against them during the current season.
- Skater must abide by all USFS and WFSC Code of Conduct, rules, and guidelines as set forth.
- Eligible skaters must adhere to all their school district rules (if school district does not participate, Watertown School will be default school), policies, and requirements concerning student activities including attendance, conduct, scholastic standing, and other eligibility requirements.
- Skater must train under the supervision of an approved WFSC/USFS professional coach.
- **Skater must submit a mandatory midseason lettering form with parent, coach/board and skater signature to the WFSC Lettering coordinator by January 6, 2024.**
- **Skater must submit all remaining documentation including the lettering form with parent, skater and coach/board signature, to the WFSC Lettering Coordinator by April 19, 2024.** The Lettering Coordinator will verify the number of skated hours.
- Time shall be submitted in 10 minute increments
- If the skater fails to adhere to any of requirements, the skater forfeits the right to letter for that season.

### **Injury or Medical Condition**

Any candidate who is experiencing a significant medical absence preventing them from meeting the 50 hours of on ice time may be given consideration for an exception. A doctor's note must be submitted.

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