SKATE ONTARIO
HIGH SCHOOL WEST
INVITATIONAL
2018

March 7 – 8, 2018

EAST ELGIN COMMUNITY COMPLEX
531 Talbot St., West
Aylmer, ON

Sanctioned by Skate Ontario

An invitation is extended to all schools to participate in the 2018 Skate Ontario High School West Invitational. Skate Canada rules and regulations will apply throughout the competition unless otherwise specified.

REGISTRATION:

Registration for this event is an online submission and must be completed in full, including payment, for the entry to be finalized. Registration opens at 2:30 pm on Friday, January 12, 2018.

Payable by VISA or MasterCard.

OR

If mailing registration fees, cheque or money order made payable to **Skate Ontario**

Mail or Courier payment to:

Skate Ontario
2605 Skymark Ave., Unit 100
Mississauga, ON
L4W 4L5
Attention: High School West

The detailed registration instructions are included on the 2018 Skate Ontario High School West Invitational: http://registration.skateontario.org/pages/club-events/High-School-West/

FOR INQUIRIES CONTACT:

Local Organizing Committee Chair and Event Registrar

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CLOSING DATE:

Access to online registration will cease at **10:00pm** on **January 31, 2018.** Registrations will be accepted on a first come - first serve basis with restrictions in certain categories to accommodate the scheduling of categories. Please review your entry information before submitting.

QUALIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE:

ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE:

Entrants in categories in the 2018 Skate Ontario High School West Invitational shall:

(1) Be skaters whose Skate Canada membership fees have been paid by their Home Club for the current skate year. Please refer to the Skate Canada Rule Book for the Home club rule.
(2) B an eligible person as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book Section 2100
(3) Be an Associate member in good standing of the Association

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY:

(1) TEST AND AGE PREREQUISTES: Competitors wishing to enter the 2018 Skate Ontario High School West Invitational competition shall meet the age and test requirements to compete as of the closing date of January 24, 2018
(2) Categories may be divided or combined depending on the number of competitors and at the discretion of the Technical Representative.

QUALFICATIONS TO COMPETE:

(1) Each school shall field a team of a minimum of 2 skaters to a maximum of 12 skaters currently enrolled at the school (grade 9 to 12) who are active members of a local Skate Canada sanctioned Club.
(2) Schools can only enter 2 teams if there are more than 12 skaters on the roster.
(3) The Team Elements categories may contain both men and ladies on the same team.
(4) Individual men and women's categories may not be combined.
(5) Skaters may compete in up to three categories but only one category per discipline as qualified by test level. Skaters may also skate up one level is needed. (Please indicate on the entry form)
(6) When there are insufficient entries, categories may be combined

PLEASE NOTE:

- This Event is a team competition in which skaters compete in individual and team categories, earning points that will determine an overall High School winner
- Each School can enter maximum of 2 entries in each free skate category, and only 1 entry in Interpretive, Solo Dance, Couples Dance and Team Element categories.

CONFIRMATIONS & SCHEDULES:

Confirmation will be emailed to the High School and/or High School representative named on the team roster. Schedule will be posted on the Skate Ontario website.

Flight Lists (showing skaters in alphabetical order by last name) and a Tentative Competition Schedule will be posted as soon as possible after the Closing Date of the Competition on the Skate Ontario website: www.skateontario.org/events/

ENTRY FEES **TEAM FEE $155.00 / CATEGORY FEE $15.00 per skater**

CATEGORIES:

Refer to the 2017 – 2018 Skate Canada STAR COMPETITION Technical Program Requirements.

The following categories are to be held at the 2018 Skate Ontario High School West Invitational:

STARSKATE Free Skate Categories:

OPEN – for competitive skaters who have competed at the 2018 Skate Ontario Sectionals in singles. Program must be 3.0 ladies or 3.5 men minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds). Novice Well Balanced Program will be followed.

GOLD – MUST have passed the complete Junior Silver FreeSkate test.
STARSkate Gold Well Balanced program will be followed.
Program must be 3.0 ladies or 3.5 men minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds).

STAR 10 – MUST have passed the complete Junior Silver FreeSkate test.
STAR 10 Well Balanced program will be followed. Program of 3.0 ladies or 3.5 men minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds).

STAR 8 – MUST have passed the complete STAR 5 (Junior Bronze) FreeSkate test. STAR 8 Well Balanced program will be followed.
Program of 3.0 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds).

STAR 6 – MUST have passed the STAR 5 (Junior Bronze) FreeSkate test but not higher complete free skate test. STAR 6 Well Balanced program will be followed. Program of 2.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds).

STAR 5 – may NOT have passed any part of the Junior Silver (STAR 8) FreeSkate test.
STAR 5 Well Balanced program will be followed. Program of 2.0 minutes in length
(+/- 10 seconds).

STAR 4 – May NOT have passed any part of the Senior Bronze (STAR 6) FreeSkate test.
STAR 4 Well Balanced program will be followed. Program of 2.0 minutes in length
(+/- 10 seconds).

INTERPRETIVE Categories: **1 ENTRY / Interpretive Category

1. **BRONZE INTERPRETIVE SINGLES** – Skaters may have passed the Bronze Interpretive Singles Test but no higher.
   Program is a maximum of 3.0 minutes in length.

2. **SILVER INTERPRETIVE SINGLES** – Skaters may have passed the Silver Interpretive Singles Test but no higher.
   Program is a maximum of 3.0 minutes in length.

3. **GOLD INTERPRETIVE SINGLES** – Skaters may have passed the Gold Interpretive Singles Test.
   Program is a maximum of 3.0 minutes in length.

***Please note – skaters may skate up one level, only if there is another skater at the same test level*

<u>SOLO DANCE Categories</u>: ** 1 ENTRY / Solo Dance Category

1. **SOLO DANCE 1** – STAR 4 / STAR 5 Solo – For skaters who must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Dance Test (star 5A) or higher.
   Skaters must compete 2 patterns of the following dance:
   Willow Waltz (2 sequences)

2. **SOLO DANCE 2** - STAR 6 / STAR 7 Solo – For skaters who must have passed the complete Senior Bronze Dance Test.
   Skaters must compete 2 patterns of the following dance:
   Keats Foxtrot (2 sequences)

3. **SOLO DANCE 3** –STAR 8 / STAR 9 Solo – For skaters who have passed the complete Senior Silver Dance Test.
   Skaters must compete 2 patterns of the following dance:
   Starlight Waltz (2 sequences)

4. **SOLO DANCE 4** - STAR 10 / Gold Solo - Skater must have passed at least two pattern dances from the Gold Dance test or higher.
   Skaters must compete 2 patterns of the following dance:
   Argentine Tango (2 sequences)

<u>INTERMEDIATE DANCE COUPLE Category:</u>

INTERMEDIATE SIMILAR DANCE – Dance team may be composed of two females or one female/one male. No test restrictions. The team must complete 3 patterns of the following dance:
Rocker Foxtrot (3 sequences)

<u>TEAM ELEMENTS Categories:</u> ** 1 ENTRY / Team Element category

- A team is composed of 2 – 4 members. Teams may be mixed female & male skaters.
- There will be a one-minute warm-up period (stroking only) for all skaters and a one-minute for each element.
- Each element may only be attempted once.
- For a team with less than 4 skaters, some skaters will need to execute two elements. No skater may perform more than two elements.
- All spin elements will be assessed as Base level regardless of content.

1. **HIGH SCHOOL TEAM ELEMENTS 1 (STAR 4 elements)**
   Test: Must not have passed the complete Junior Bronze Free Skate Test. Skaters must complete the following elements:
   (a) Axel Jump
   (b) Lutz / Loop Jump Combination
   (c) Combination Spin: Must include at least one camel position and one sit position and may include change of foot. Forward entry only. No flying entry or difficult variations.
   (d) Forward Spiral sequence: Two forward spirals, one on each foot performed on either an outside or inside edge. No more than four steps between. Both spirals must be unsupported.

2. **HIGH SCHOOL TEAM ELEMENTS 2 (STAR 6 elements)**
   Test: Must not have passed the complete Senior Bronze Free Skate Test. Skaters must complete the following elements:
   (a) Single Axel
   (b) Any Double Jump
   (c) Flying spin: One position and no change of foot
   (d) Spiral Sequence: At least two spirals, one on each foot. No more than four steps between. At least one spiral must be unsupported.

3. **HIGH SCHOOL TEAM ELEMENTS 3 (STAR 9/10 elements**)
   Test: Must have passed the complete Senior Bronze Free Skate Test or higher. Skaters must complete the following elements:
   (a) Any Double Jump (Double Loop or higher)
   (b) Jump Combination: Two jumps. Both must be doubles
   (c) Flying spin: One position, may include change of foot
   (d) Bonus Element: Any jump or spin element not already performed.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Registration is finalized only when all information and payment is complete. Your receipt of payment is your registration confirmation. Please print your receipt and retain for your records.

LATE ENTRIES: Entries received after the closing date will be considered by the Technical Representative for registration. **Late entries are subject to a $50.00 late fee.**

REFUNDS AND WITHDRAWALS: Full refunds will be given for any cancelled categories. If an entry is withdrawn prior to January 31, 2018, a refund (less an administrative fee of $35.00 per skater) will be granted. NOTE: NO REFUNDS (including medical) will be granted after January 31, 2018.

AGE REQUIREMENTS: As on July 1, 2017.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION: All competitors and Skate Canada registered coaches / School Reps are required to register upon arrival at the arena. Registration and music registration will commence one hour prior to the first category of the day. Each competitor will receive an accreditation tag that must be retained and used as a pass for the duration of the competition. All skaters MUST have their music and planned program content sheet (if applicable) when registering. All Ontario Coaches must carry their Skate Ontario Coach Accreditation Tag.

MUSIC: Each entry must provide two CDs of the correct music for the competition upon registration, one for competition - marked “Master” and one for back up - marked “Copy”. These must be registered with music registration at least one hour prior to the posted start time of the category and may not be removed for any reason until after the category is completed. CD Audio Discs are the only music format accepted. iPhones, iPods or other digital sources will not be accepted as backups. Music must be picked up within 30 minutes after completion of the category.

Standard Specifications for Music:

(1) Only one program shall be recorded on each CD
(2) Competitor's name followed by home club, category, program type-short or free and music time shall be printed on front of the CD label using a black Sharpie pen
(3) Each CD shall be enclosed in a plastic case in good repair marked with the skater's name, home club, category, program type – short or free, and total music time

Technical Guidelines for Music CDs:
(1) Music on CD must be burned in CD Audio Format (NOT mp3;.acc or DVD)
(2) Music should be burned on CD-R discs of good quality that provide legible space for the skater information to be printed on
(3) It is recommended that CDs be burned at speeds 16Xs or less
(4) Skater or Team should keep a set of CDs for COMPETITION USE ONLY. It is recommended that this set be used for each competition unless the music has been changed

POINT SYSTEM FOR SCORING:

Categories of 6 or more entries:		**Categories of 5 or less entries:**	
1st place	**10 points**	**1st place**	**7 points**
2nd place	**7 points**	**2nd place**	**3.5 points**
3rd place	**5 points**	**3rd place**	**2.5 points**
4th place	**3 points**	**4th place**	**1.5 points**
5th place	**2 points**	**5th place**	**1 point**
6th place	**1 point**		

AWARDS:

- Ribbons will be given out for 1st, 2nd, 3rd placing of each flight.
- No School Team points will be awarded for exhibition skaters
- Flighted categories of ranked results (STAR 4) – ½ points will be awarded for the top 6 skaters.
- Flighted categories of scored results – ½ points will be awarded for the top 6 skaters.

SCHOOL TEAM WINNER:

The School Team with the highest number of points at the end of the competition will be awarded the overall team trophy. In the event of a tie in the total points, the School Team with the greater number of 1st places shall be placed higher in the overall standings.

A presentation of the SCHOOL TEAM TROPHY will be at the end of the competition.

ACCREDITATION FOR COACHES and HIGH SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES:

The number of High School Representatives permitted is as follows:
2 - 5 skaters on team = 1 High School Representative or Coach
6 – 12 skaters on team = 2 High School Representative of Coach
*Please note - Individual Skaters' Coach will not be accredited.

If a High School Representative is a Coach, then the coach must be Primary STARSkate trained or Regional Coach in Training or higher.

EVENT INFORMATION

Ice Dimensions: Amtelecom Arena 85' X 200' Kinsmen Arena 85' X 200'

Refreshments: Concession booth be open during competition

Admissions: General Admission $5.00 per day Children under 4 years free!

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel Reservations: Skaters, parents and coaches must book accommodations directly with the hotel of their choice.

Official Hotel:

Comfort Inn
100 Centennial Avenue
St. Thomas, Ontario
N5R 5B2
519-633-4082
www.choicehotels.ca/thotels

Other Hotels:

Ramada Inn
817 Exeter Road
London, ON N6E 1W1
(800)-303-3733
www.ramadainnlondon.com

Country Side Inn
530 Talbot Street East
Alymer, ON N5R 2S9
519-765-3550
www.citiesandtowns.ca

MAP & DIRECTIONS

Reference Internet Map Sites (i.e. arenamaps.com, mapquest.com, mapblast.com) for view of map and directions

Directions from Windsor, ON

- Take 401 East
- Hwy #74 South through Belmont
- Turn left (east) on #3 to Aylmer (through Orwell)
- Hwy #3 is Talbot Street – the East Elgin Community Complex is on the north (left) side of Talbot Street as you are entering Aylmer

Directions from Toronto, ON

- Take 401 West
- Hwy #3 South to Aylmer
- At second set of lights (main intersection of Talbot St. and John St.) turn right (west)
- The East Elgin Community Complex is on the right (north) side of Talbot as you are leaving Aylmer