



The SC of Boston Skating Academy

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Parent Education: *What's Next?*

Register for classes early!

- Online registration is quick, easy, secure and the best way to ensure enrollment. Don't delay-register today!
- Please register online one to two weeks before classes begin to help us assure adequate staffing
- Pay special attention to our **registration policies**; take note of **dates with no classes** (aka: blackout dates)

Evaluation Day: Students don't always pass their badge test on the first attempt. Skating, like math or playing a musical instrument requires a certain degree of skill mastery before one can progress to the next level. Rushing through the badge levels will result in skill deficiencies, 'bad habits' that will catch up with a skater sooner or later. We are looking for mastery of an every element. Being able to do it once or twice is not worthy of passing. The skater must be able to repeat every element with consistency and mastery before moving onto the next badge level.

The best way to assure a steady progression through the badge levels is to practice one day a week in addition to your group lessons or to take a second lesson. Skating twice a week is the proven way to improve your skating and will make a BIG difference in the skater's enjoyment of the sport. Supplementing with private lessons can also be helpful when a skater is having difficulty with a particular element. **Contact your campus director for more information on practice ice and supplementary lessons.**

Upcoming Schedule of Extracurricular Activities: More ways to have FUN on the ice!

- Basic Skills Competitions: (registration opens 1 month prior)
 - Boston: February 8, 2014
 - Foxboro: June 7, 2014
 - Marlborough: March 15, 2014
- Ice Chips: April 5 & 6, 2014 at Boston University's Agganis Arena (registration tentatively set for February)
- Summer Camp at Babson College: July 21-25 & July 29-Aug 1

Making the Transition from Group Lessons to Club Membership

We offer affordable 'Introductory' and 'Satellite' memberships to make it easier for skaters to get the practice they need. Great skaters make it look so easy – but it takes a lot of dedication for them to get where they are. **Ask your campus director for more information!**

Becoming a Member of The Skating Club of Boston

Joining a skating club is the first step to becoming a more advanced skater. For 100 years, The Skating Club of Boston has been offering skaters a place to call home. We offer practice ice, provide *test sessions* with judges for skaters to advance, support *Synchronized* skating and *Theater-on-Ice* teams, host exhibitions, workshops, camps, competitions and America's longest running annual ice show *Ice Chips*. (This year will be our 102nd year!) We celebrate our skaters at send-offs, awards banquets, and a host of other fun events. The Skating Club of Boston offers a variety of membership packages and benefits. Once a skater is ready to take official U.S. Figure Skating tests or compete in competitions beyond the Basic Skills level, joining a club becomes necessary. Club members learn more about skating and make lifelong friends. We hope you will choose The Skating Club of Boston to be *your* skating club! **Visit www.scboston.org > information > membership information**