

WHO WE ARE

The Dubuque Figure Skating Club is a 501(c)(3) dedicated to promoting and growing this character-building sport in our community. Through both recreational and competitive programs, we strive to teach beginners how to skate, develop their skills, and showcase their talent at regional competitions. We teach the same 24 test levels Olympic skaters must progress through to reach their dreams, and we hope to provide local skaters the opportunity to do the same.

In the past, figure skaters have been forced to either travel to surrounding cities to practice or quit figure skating altogether. Today, our community has both the facility to host competitive skaters and the knowledgeable coaches needed to instruct them. The only missing piece is affordable ice time.

With the program being so young, the financial responsibility is hard on our small number of skaters. More skaters and greater investment will allow us to provide the programs that will help figure skating thrive in Dubuque while developing new generations of talent.

In the next three years, we intend to:

- ▶ Develop two dozen competitive and pre-competitive skaters
- ▶ Staff a dedicated skating director
- ▶ Boost community awareness through targeted marketing efforts
- ▶ Provide affordable, dedicated practice ice for figure skaters
- ▶ Offer low-cost, one-on-one coaching

MEET THE FOUNDERS



Elizabeth Davies grew up skating competitively in the Chicago area, advancing through competitions in the Midwest and training alongside Olympic medalists in Lake Arrowhead, California. She taught group lessons and coached figure skaters in college, then later returned to the sport as a competitor until moving to Dubuque in 2005. With no established figure-skating programs, Elizabeth was inspired to help start Learn To Skate, and currently has two children enrolled. Her desire is to share her passion for competitive skating with a new generation of students.



Tammy Remakel Ryan grew up skating in Dubuque as an original member of the Dubuque Figure Skating Association. This program ended when she was 16 years old, and Tammy was left to travel to Davenport for the chance to skate a few times a year. She has helped lead the Learn To Skate program since its formation, and has made skating fun for even the youngest of those who join her on the ice. Tammy wants to give today's youth the chance she did not have: to fulfill their skating potential.



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From your first steps
TO FULL STRIDE

LEARNING THE SPORT

Our three programs are designed to develop new skaters' abilities and are flexible enough to accommodate any level of skill. In competitions, skaters perform a one-to-four-minute routine set to music, including specific jumps and spins, and are scored based on individual merit. Read below to learn about each program!

START TAKING STRIDES!

Learn to Skate: Making up the first eight levels, this program teaches the basics to figure skaters, hockey players, and speed skaters.

The Figure Skating Academy: The next six levels help bridge skaters into full-fledged figure skating, with beginning jumps and spins.

The Dubuque Figure Skating Club: At this point, skaters are ready for the full competition test track developed by the United States Figure Skating Association, culminating with Olympic-level skating.

LEARNING FROM THE SPORT

Figure skating is a challenging sport that requires confidence, discipline, and strength to be successful. And skaters in our programs learn more than double toe loops and flying camel spins. They learn resilience, persistence, and dedication—the character-building skills needed to be successful in life. Give your children the chance to develop these qualities right here in our community by enrolling them in one of our programs or considering sponsorship.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are seeking three-year financial commitments from key sponsors, who will receive recognition via our advertising, website, and in-rink promotions.

Levels of sponsorship per year are:

\$5,001–
\$10,000

GOLD

Naming opportunities for Learn to Skate and the Figure Skating Academy: \$10,000+

\$2,501–
\$5,000

SILVER

A chance to sponsor and name our annual ice show: \$3,000+

\$1,500–
\$2,500

BRONZE

Recognition in all promotional materials

Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated and will be responsibly utilized in the following ways:

\$15,000

Skating director salary

\$8,000

Subsidized ice time

\$4,000

Subsidized one-on-one instruction

\$5,000

Advertising and marketing

\$3,000

Production of annual ice show

\$1,500

Legal and administrative fees

\$2,500

Skate school supplies

\$1,000

Advanced instructor training and certification through the Professional Skaters Association