

The Southern Valley Figure Skating Club accepts applications for financial assistance from skaters who may have a need to help minimize the cost of participating in figure skating due to financial hardship. The club has limited funds that are given as credits to the skater's account to be used for the following:

1. Learn to Skate and Advanced group lessons
2. Hours for private ice time
3. USFSA registration fees (not applicable in the 2025-26 season as the club will be paying all dues)
4. Spring show registration fees

The club cannot offer financial assistance for private coach lesson fees, competition entrance fees or testing fees. If you are approved for assistance, you will be notified and it will be awarded as a credit to your account. **Please do not register for the spring 2026 session until you have been notified of financial assistance status!**

A new application must be completed to be considered for each session. The number of applications approved for assistance each session and the amount awarded per skater will vary depending on need and the financial health of the club. The level of financial assistance is capped at \$100 for Learn to Skate (Snowplow Sam through Freeskate 2) skaters and \$150 for Advanced skaters. A committee will review applications and make determinations based on need. All information will be kept confidential. If award amounts exceed total skating costs, the funds will be returned to the club.

To be considered for financial assistance for the Spring 2026 session, please fill out the application form and return it by January 3, 2026. Completed forms can be emailed to Erica Olson at ecolson08@gmail.com. Notification of application status will be given by January 5, 2026. ***Please note that all recipients must meet all volunteer and fundraising requirements set forth by the club. Failure to meet these requirements will result in skater not being qualified to apply for financial assistance for future sessions and payback of funds.***

For questions related to the financial assistance application or process, please contact:
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Southern Valley Figure Skating Club
Financial Assistance Application for Spring 2026 Session
Form must be submitted by January 3, 2026

Skater's Name _____

Parent's Name(s) _____

Parent Phone Number _____

Parent Email _____

Skater's Date of Birth _____

Are you a returning or new skater?

Skating Level (circle one)

Snowplow Sam Basic 1 Basic 2 Basic 3 Basic 4 Basic 5
Basic 6 Pre-freeskate Freeskate 1 Feeskate 2 Advanced

Essay requirement: To help the committee learn more about you as a skater and to help in the approval process, **please choose two of the below topics** and provide a written or typed complete response. If skater is unable to complete themselves due to age or ability, a parent or other adult can write based on the skater's answers.

Current skaters

1. What skating event (camp, group lessons, competitions, etc.) did you enjoy most, and why?
2. What was your biggest accomplishment in skating last session?
3. How has your coach encouraged you to improve a certain skating skill?
4. What other sports or activities do you participate in and do you feel those activities help improve your skating?

New skaters

1. Why do you want to try skating?
2. What do you hope to learn by taking skating lessons?
3. What is your favorite sport, and why?