

# North Andover Figure Skating Club

## **About Us**

The North Andover Figure Skating Club is a non-profit organization located at Brooks School in North Andover, Massachusetts. We offer instruction to many ice skating levels for the youth. Our program represents the United States Figure Skating Association Basic Skills Badge Program. The season has been from November to March each year since 1972.

The North Andover Figure Skating Club is beginning its 37th season! We are looking forward to another great year. Our staff consists of both Professional Instructors and Instructional Assistants. It is our goal to ensure that each student receives expertise instruction while having fun.

## **Equipment Needed**

**Skates** should be firm, preferably leather, and sized correctly. Please avoid vinyl and plastic skates if possible. Please contact *Cooke's Skate Shop* (978) 657-8782 in Wilmington for quality skates and information.

**Skate laces** should be comfortably snug on top of the foot and the ankle. The laces can be a bit looser toward the top of the boot so that only one finger can fit between the boot and the child's leg.

**Helmets** must be worn by beginners through Basic Badge 2. Only hockey and skating helmets can be worn. Helmets must cover the nape of the neck. Bike and football helmets are not allowed. Helmets are available at most sports stores.

**Clothing** should be warm and in layers. Tights with sweatpants or fleece are the most comfortable for movement and warmth. Turtlenecks with sweaters, sweatshirts or fleece jackets are recommended. Mittens or gloves are required. Clothing which hangs too loosely or drags below skate level is dangerous and is prohibited.

## Frequently Asked Questions

All ice time is located at Brooks School Ice Rink in North Andover, MA

Any cancellations due to weather conditions will be posted on this website.

The Skaters progress through the *United States Figure Skating Association Basic Skills Badge Program*.

Each one (1) hour session includes a warm-up, formal instruction and free skate time.

Each class will be grouped by skating strength and skill or badge level.

Testing will take place on an as needed basis or at the request of the instructor. Most testing is usually within every 4-6 weeks for the younger skaters. The more advanced badges will be more time consuming and testing is less frequent.

Parents should stay in the rink during the child's skating hour at all times or have another parent assume responsibility for your child if he/she has an injury or needs to get off the ice for skate adjustments or for other reasons.

Please inform the staff of any medical conditions or physical concerns or special circumstances of the child; as emergency & medical information is required during registration the first Saturday.

***For any further questions regarding the program or equipment please call:  
(978) 686-8704***