



Clubs, Coaches and Skaters:

## **APEX Spring Academy 2018**

### **Mission and Goals**

The APEX Skating Academy is pleased to offer a six week program where skaters are encouraged to develop their skills while working towards their personal skating goals. Our approach to training focuses not only on a skater's development on the ice, but also includes off-ice training, and other developmental opportunities.

Our mission is to offer quality training opportunities for all skaters and assist in meeting the demand for ice time. We accept all skaters and coaches who are looking for a positive and supportive learning environment. Skaters should contact their private coaches before registering for sessions with APEX Skating Academy.

Our 2018 Spring programs will run out of the CBS Arena and the CBS Robert French Memorial Stadium.

### **Program Dates**

Spring programs will commence on Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and conclude on Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Test day will be scheduled for Monday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Fall programs will run from September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Registration information for Fall programs will be available in July.

### **How to Register**

All registrations will be completed online at <https://apex.uplifterinc.com> and accepted on a first come first served basis.

Registration for the following programs will open on **Monday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018:**

**CanSkate** – 9:00AM

**STAR Academy** – 9:00AM

Registration for the following programs will be open on **Friday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018:**

**Senior** – 10:00AM

**Intermediate** – 12:00PM

**Junior** – 2:00PM

If you have any questions please inquire at [apexskatingacademy@gmail.com](mailto:apexskatingacademy@gmail.com)

## The following programs will be offered in the Spring of 2018:

### **CanSkate**

CanSkate is a dynamic learn-to-skate program that focuses on fun, participation and basic skill development. Based on Sport Canada's long term athlete development (LTAD) principles, CanSkate centers on physical literacy and the fundamental skills needed to take part in any ice sport or to skate as a recreational activity. This 6 week program offers instruction from NCCP trained professional coaches and program assistants. Lessons will be given in a group format with a maximum coach to student ratio of 1:10. Skaters progress at their own rate and coaches make sessions active using teaching aids, upbeat music and a wide variety of activities that create a motivational environment and promote learning. Report cards will be distributed at the end of the 6 week program which will indicate the skills achieved.

**Eligibility:** PreCanSkate and Stage 1-6 skaters.

\*CanSkaters working on Stage 4, 5 and 6 are also encouraged to register for our **NEW STAR Academy Program**.



### **STAR Academy**

The **STAR Academy Program** is an introduction to figure skating and is well suited for skaters working on STAR 1 Assessments. Skaters will learn the fundamentals in the 3 Areas of Skate Canada's STAR Program: FreeSkate (Jumps and Spins), Skating Skills (Stroking and Field Movements), Ice Dance. The STAR Academy will be taught in a group format by trained Skate Canada Professional Coaches in a fun and enthusiastic atmosphere.

**\*Skaters in CanSkate Stage 4 and higher may also register for the STAR Academy.**





### **Junior**

The APEX Junior session is geared towards skaters working on their STAR 1 to 4 tests. Our focus is implementing Skate Canada's STAR 1-5 test program. This program is designed to encourage quality basics and coach assessments. Through a collaborative approach, skaters and coaches will strive to maximize skill development and acquisition.

Junior skaters have an option of registering for 1-5 days per week.



### **Intermediate**

The APEX Intermediate session is geared towards skaters who have passed the Junior Bronze/STAR 4 FreeSkate test. Skaters will be offered sessions to progress in the areas of Skating Skills, Dance, and FreeSkate. Stroking sessions will also be offered focusing on power, edge/turn and musical development.

Intermediate skaters have an option of registering for 1-5 days per week.

\*Please note the Wednesday Intermediate divisions

Jr/Int – Skaters not passed the complete Senior Bronze FreeSkate test.

Int/Sr – Skaters passed the complete Senior Bronze FreeSkate test.

### **Senior**

The APEX Senior session is designed for skaters who have passed the Junior Silver FreeSkate test. Skaters will be offered increased FreeSkate time as they start preparing for the competitive season ahead. Stroking sessions will be offered with emphases on skating skills, edge/turn development, and transitions to improve upon program components.

Senior skaters have an option of registering for 1-6 days per week.

## **APEX EXTRAS**



### **Off-ice Sessions**

Off-ice sessions will be offered to all registered Junior, Intermediate and Senior skaters. These sessions are scheduled for Thursdays, however if you are not registered for Thursday sessions you may still avail of the off-ice program at no extra cost.

### **Group Workshops**

There will be group workshops available to all registered Junior, Intermediate and Senior skaters on Performance, Flexibility and Competition Strategies at no additional cost. Details and times to be announced.



### **Theme Days**

Our programs combine fun with learning. Skaters will be encouraged to take part in our scheduled "Theme Days" where we will offer Games, Prizes and more...