

COLUMBIA FIGURE SKATING CLUB (CFSC) PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT Part 4 of 8

2024-2025 Membership Year

The Columbia Figure Skating Club is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for members' physical, emotional and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free of misconduct.

Preamble: The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, trustworthiness and good citizenship.

By signing below, I hereby agree that:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by my actions, demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches, and officials at every practice, competition and test session.
2. I will become familiar with the rules of U.S. Figure Skating and the ice rules established by The Columbia Figure Skating Club and teach my child accordingly.
3. I will support and respect other skaters, parents and coaches, and their right to participate.
4. I will encourage my child to maintain respect and courtesy to others.
5. I will promptly inform my child's coach of any physical/mental disability or challenge affecting my child that may affect the safety of my child or others.
6. I will teach my child that doing his/her best is more important than winning.
7. I will not ridicule, bully, blame, or yell at my child or other skaters, coaches, officials or volunteers.
8. I will teach my child to respect other skaters, coaches, fans, volunteers, officials, and rink staff, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation or ability.
9. I will take action and report any acts of bullying, harassment or abuse to the appropriate authorities.
9. I will applaud effort and emphasize positive accomplishments and learning from mistakes.
10. I will support and respect the decisions of the CFSC Board of Directors, Artistic Director, Show Directors, Choreographers, and Costume Designers in their casting and direction of my child, and other members.

11. I will demand a figure skating environment for my child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree that I will not use or provide to a third-party any illegal drug prohibited by applicable federal, state, or municipal law.

12. I will not assist or condone any athlete's use of a banned substance as described by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee, or U.S. Figure Skating, or, in case of athletes, to use such drugs or refuse to submit to properly conducted drug tests administered by one of these organizations.

13. I will expect my child's coach to be in compliance with all requirements of U.S. Figure Skating and the Professional Skaters Association, to continue their education and training through programs offered by U.S. Figure Skating, the Professional Skaters Association and other accredited organizations.

14. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from "sideline" coaching my child or other skaters.

15. I will respect the decisions of officials, their authority and decisions during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do the same.

16. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials.

17. I will fulfill my responsibility to help my club by volunteering my time with membership, special projects, shows and test sessions.

18. I will become familiar with USFSA SkateSafe, endeavor to complete USFS online Parent SkateSafe training, and fulfill my SkateSafe obligation, especially as related to show activities.

Any parent violation of this code of conduct may result in the parent being prohibited from participating in or attending CFSC events.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: