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October 31, 2009

Dear Special Needs Participants:

Please find enclosed the registration packet for the sixteenth annual Special Needs Skating Competition. This year's exciting event will take place on Saturday, January 9, 2010 and again will be hosted by the Park District of Franklin Park. The registration deadline for participation is December 13, 2009.

Similar to last year, we will be providing lunch free of charge to all registered coaches and skaters. There is an additional \$7.50 charge for anyone else wishing to participate in lunch. Wristbands will be distributed at check-in for all skaters, coaches and paid lunch admissions. Please make sure the Meal Ticket Reservation Form included in your packet is filled out and returned by December 27, 2009, so adequate refreshments can be ordered.

As in the past, we want to make sure we have enough goodie bags and awards for everyone who participates. **Please make sure when registering skaters, that both the Team Registration Form and the Waiver are completed.** We appreciate that pre-registration is done by December 13, 2009.

Participation in this wonderful event continues to be free. This remains possible because of the assistance that we receive from area sponsors who have a real interest in being a part of this worthwhile event. If you are aware of any company or business that may be interested in providing assistance for this event either financially or through product donation, please provide the contact information and a sponsorship letter will be sent. We would appreciate sponsorship contact information forwarded by December 1, 2009 so we have adequate time to secure their support. Contact information may be faxed to 847-671-4755 or emailed to sbolan@fpparks.org.

My staff and I look forward to your participation in this rewarding event. Please contact me at sbolan@fpparks.org or by phone at 847-671-4268 if you have any questions or need additional information. Do not forget, the registration deadline for participation is December 13, 2009.

Sincerely,

Sara V. Bolan
Arena Manager

October 31, 2009

Dear Coaches, Skaters, and Parents:

It's time for Franklin Park's Special Needs Skating Competition:

Saturday, January 9, 2010
Registration Deadline: December 13, 2009
Tentative Schedule
All events held on the Main Arena.

Figure Skating Compulsories	7:55-9:15 am
Sled Hockey	9:30-10:30 am
Figure Skating Solo Programs	10:45 am-12:30 pm
Short Track Speed Skating	12:40-2:50 pm
Hockey	3:20-4:15 pm

Refreshments will be offered buffet style from 10:45 am until 1:45 pm
Free for registered participants and coaches, \$7.50 for anyone additional.

This year, we are expanding our invitation list so please return your registration early to reserve your spot. The expected increase in participation may alter our schedule slightly.

Athletes and coaches listed on the registration will receive free meal wristbands when they arrive. Family members who wish to enjoy the meal should complete the enclosed "Meal ticket Reservation". Cost for the meal ticket is \$7.50. Deadline to purchase meal ticket is December 27th.

Thank you for responding early so we can prepare for the expected increase in attendance.

Return your completed registration and waiver to:

Franklin Park Ice Arena/Special Needs Skating Competition
Mail: 9711 W. Waveland Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131
Phone: 847-671-4268
Fax: 847-671-4755
E-mail: **sbolan@fpparks.org**
cdeak@fpparks.org
Web site: fpice.com

If you have any questions, please contact us:

General inquiries & Hockey:	Sara Bolan, Ice Arena Manager	847-671-4268
	sbolan@fpparks.org	
Speed Skating:	Anita Healy, Speed Skating Coordinator	630-207-2969
	ahealy@elkgroveparks.org	
Figure Skating:	JoAnn Snyder, Figure Skating Coordinator	847-392-2848
	jsnyder@nwsra.org	

Special Needs Skating Competition

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2010

Event Information and Registration Forms

The Park District of Franklin Park invites special needs skaters to the 16th annual competition. We are pleased to offer a day of healthy competition and camaraderie to figure and speed skaters along with ice and sled hockey players. All participants will receive awards.

Tentative Schedule:

Figure Skating

Check in	7:00-7:50 a.m.	Meeting room
Compulsories	7:55-9:15 a.m.	Main arena
Solo programs	10:45-12:30 a.m.	Main arena
Awards	12:35 p.m.	Lobby
Refreshments	1:00 p.m.	Meeting room

Sled Hockey

Check in	8:30-9:15 a.m.	Meeting room
Exhibition	9:30-10:20 a.m.	Main arena
Awards	10:20 a.m.	Main arena
Refreshments	10:50 a.m.	Meeting room

Speed skating

Check in	11:30-12:30 p.m.	Lobby
Refreshments	11:30 p.m.	Meeting room
Warm-up	12:40-12:50 p.m.	Main arena
Races	1:00-2:50 p.m.	Main arena
Awards	3:00 p.m.	Main arena

Hockey

Check in	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Front desk
Refreshments	1:30-1:45 p.m.	Meeting room
Exhibition	3:20-4:15 p.m.	Main arena
Awards	4:15 p.m.	Main arena

Speed Skaters awaiting their races should sit in Bleacher Section A

Complete the enclosed entry forms, sign the waiver, and return by **Friday, December 13th**. Entry forms can be mailed or faxed to: Franklin Park Ice Arena / Special Needs Competition

To: Franklin Park Ice Arena / Special Needs Skating Competition
Address: 9711 W. Waveland Ave/ Franklin Park IL 60131
Phone: 847-671-4268
Fax: 847-671-4755
E-mail: sbolan@fpparks.org

SPEED SKATING

1. Races will be conducted in accordance with the USS Short Track Speed Skating rules and regulations. Heats, and Finals will be run as dictated by registration. Finals may be divided into “A” and consolation “B”.
2. Divisions will be based on a skater’s performance at last year’s FP meet and time submitted for 2010. New competitors should submit a 111 Meter time. Distances may be altered based on current registration.
3. This is an ability-based competition in which only TIME is a factor. Age and sex are not basis for determining divisions. Divisions may be combined, divided, or altered as needed to enhance competition.
4. **All Speed Skaters must wear the following:**
 - **Protective helmet, gloves, long-sleeved shirt, kneepads, shin pads, and neck guard.**

Divisions will be based on submitted 111 Meter Time Trials and last year’s performance

DIVISION – tentative. Actual will be determined by registration	Time, in seconds for one lap	Race Distance in Meters
A	60+	25,55,25
B	52-60	55 111 55
C	46-51	111,222, 333
D	40-45	111,222,333
E	36-39	222,333,500
F	31-35	222,333,500
G	24-30	333,500,777
H	18-23	333,500,777
I	17 and under	500,777,1000

If you have specific speed skating questions, please contact Anita Healy, Speed Skating Coordinator at 630-207-2969 or by email to ahealy@elkgrovesparks.org.

FIGURE SKATING

1. **We will utilize the rules and regulations set forth in the most recent Special Olympic Winter Handbook.** ISI Special Skater is not offered. This year we will institute the new short program for levels 3-6 for compulsories as outlined by Special Olympics.
2. Skating competitors must be able to independently complete level one compulsory skill, enter, perform and exit the ice without any assistance, physical or verbal, to compete. The competitor is the only individual allowed on the ice during their performance. Any skater unable to meet basic requirements will be considered exhibition.
3. **Non-read writable compact disk** must be turned in at the registration table prior to the start of competition. Please mark the CD with your name, level, and song title. Only one song per CD.
4. For each level, all compulsories will be completed first followed by the program portion.
5. Due to time constraints we reserve the right to limit the number of figure skating registrants.

If you have specific figure skating questions, please contact:

JoAnn Snyder, Figure Skating Coordinator: 847-392-2848 jsnyder@nwsra.org

Sara V. Bolan, Arena Manager: 847-671-4268 sbolan@fpparks.org

Registration Deadline: December 13, 2009

Meal Ticket Reservation Form

So that we may provide adequate refreshments, everyone must RSVP by December 27 to participate in lunch.

Registered skaters, coaches and volunteers are free; others are \$7.50 per person.

Skater and Coach Meal Ticket Reservation Form

Skater's name:			
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:			
List coaches attending lunch below.			
Coach's name:		Coach's name:	
		<i>Total @ no charge:</i>	

Parents and Spectator Meal Ticket Reservation Form (please list all names below)

Name:	
Name:	
Name:	
Name:	
<i>Total @ \$7.50 per person:</i>	
<i>Total \$ enclosed:</i>	

Please enclose \$7.50 per person. Check made payable to **Franklin Park Ice Arena** or supply credit card information below.

Credit Card Type: VISA MASTERCARD

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return this form with payment by December 27 to:

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 9711 Waveland Ave
 Franklin Park IL 60131
Fax: 847-671-4755

All lunch wristbands will be distributed at check in.

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Park District of Franklin Park ~WAIVER

Team Coach/Leader: If you have more than four skaters, please make extra photocopies of this waiver. THIS WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT OR PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN IF THE PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OLD

RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION

Please read this section carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in any program, as indicated on this form, you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries you might sustain arising out of that program.

“As a participant in the program I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury and I agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, including death, damages or loss which I may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with or associated with such program. I agree to waive and relinquish all claim I may have, as a result of participating in the program, against the Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees. I do hereby fully release and discharge the Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damage or loss which I may have or which may accrue to me on account of my participation in the program. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees (the “Indemnities”) from any and all claims, losses, costs, judgments, liabilities, actions, suits at law or in equity, expenses (including reasonable attorneys’ fees) resulting from injuries, including death, sustained by me or any child of mine and arising out of connected with, or in any way associated with the activities of the program and resulting from the negligence or willful and wanton conduct of the Indemnities or any one or more of them.”

Please fill out individual information on **each** skater.

Print skater’s name	Phone	Age
Address:	City:	State: Zip:
Guardian’s Signature	Date	
Skater’s Main Contact Email:		

Print skater’s name	Phone	Age
Address:	City:	State: Zip:
Guardian’s Signature	Date	
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