



## A Night At The Grammy's

### Carnival Update

March 5, 2023

Hello Skating Families,

This is the week we have been waiting for! Practices for our Carnival 2023 will begin during regular class times. Our coaches have been preparing music and choreographing numbers for our skaters. Please try to attend all practices. Practices will continue throughout March Break.

Skater bouquets can still be pre-ordered from Crème Brulee & Bouquets for \$25 until Thursday March 16, 2023. Bouquets will be available for pickup at carnival. Order forms were sent out last week or are available at the arena.

Tickets for carnival will be going on sale in the next two weeks. Tickets for each show can be purchased for \$10 per person for anyone age 3 and older. They will be available for sale at the arena during regularly schedule skating classes. Please watch for emails and our Facebook page.

We will be looking for volunteers beginning next week. Sign up boards will be available in the lobby during skating times. Without your help, we cannot make this day a success.

We fundraise during Carnival with a door prize table and a 50/50 draw. If you would be able to donate a door prize, we would be thrilled to add it to our loot! This year our fundraising has helped us purchase a new curtain to be used on ice during carnival.

So How Does This All Work?

- We have show at 1:30 and 6:30 on Saturday April 1. Please plan to attend both shows.
- Skaters are asked to arrive 20 to 30 minutes before the show starts. The show is divided into 2 halves. Your child will need to be in the dressing rooms for the entire half of the show when their number is skating. You will find their dressing room, sign them in with the supervisor in the dressing room and get their skates on. Then you can leave to go watch the show. Some parents may choose to stay with little ones which is ok. When the half of the show is finished, you can come sign your child out of their dressing room. Children from the next half of the show then come into the dressing rooms for their turn. It is a busy time, but we hope to keep everyone organized and having fun. Skaters in more than one number may stay in their dressing room for the entire show.

- Parents we need your help in our dressing rooms! We need at least 2 adults in each changeroom to stay with our skaters. We have lots of volunteers to help ensure skaters get to the ice on time. We would appreciate if you could volunteer for one show and relax and watch the other show from the stands. Without your help, our show really cannot happen.
- Parents often want to know when the skaters can watch the show. We suggest Friday March 31 Dress Rehearsal! Starting around 5pm, we will be running through the entire show. This will include full costumes, lights, decorations, and a curtain entrance on the ice! Your skater will have a chance to watch lots more of what happens.
- What about drinking and eating at Carnival? Right now there is no food available at the arena on the day of carnival. Please remember your costumes are one of a kind for the day, so bring snacks which are not too messy but will keep little one's tummies full and happy. We remind you remember common allergens such as peanuts as you pack for the day.

Finally, what about costumes?

Our costumes are designed, reused, and sewn specifically to be used by your skater. Right now, the process is well underway. They cannot be easily replaced.

We ask that you contribute pants, a shirt or skating tights to complete the outfit. You will receive a notice this week to let you know what you need to finish off your child's outfit. If you are unable to do so, please let us know and we will give you a hand. However, with almost 200 costumes to assemble for this show, we do our best to make everyone look their best.

Please bring a change of clothes to Carnival. After the final show, there will be a bin to leave your skater's costume in. We can reuse our costumes, helping to keep skating fees lower in the future.

We are so excited to spend a Night at the Grammy's with you!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jenn Bard, carnival chair, at [wtsc.info@gmail.com](mailto:wtsc.info@gmail.com) or 519-427-8685.