

Equipment Needed for Skating Classes:

- It is mandatory that skaters in Snowplow 1-4, Basic 1, Adult 1 and Teen Intro wear their own helmet, but a bicycle helmet is ok. Skaters in Hockey classes must have hockey helmets. After those levels, it is up to the parent or guardian when the skater no longer uses a helmet.
- Dress warmly in layers that the skater can move in easily and wear regular mittens or gloves - not hockey gloves.
- We prefer that skaters have their own skates but the rink does rent them for \$7.00 per pair per class. If you would like to purchase skates, we recommend Cooke's Skate Supply in Wilmington and Dynamik Sports in Reading because both skate shops do a good shop of matching the level of the skate to the level of the skater, they know how to fit skates properly which is the most important thing, and they stand behind what they sell.
 - New skates should always be freshly sharpened before their first use.
 - Skaters should have plastic skate guards to protect the blades while walking off-ice.
 - After skating, skaters should dry off the blades with an absorbent towel
 - Terry cloth blade covers should be kept on the skates when skates are not in use - DO NOT leave plastic skate guards on the skates
- Knee pads are totally optional; however, they should not have any plastic on them as plastic slips around on the ice when skaters are trying to get up from falling. DO NOT have your skater wear shin guards for lessons.