

#### **Notice to Parents**

# 2025–2026 Langley Skating Club Volunteer Hour Plan

#### **Dear LSC Families,**

We hope you're enjoying your summer and getting ready for another exciting skating season ahead! As we prepare for 2025–2026, we're sharing important information about this year's **Volunteer Hour Plan** and **Volunteer Bond Program**.

Langley Skating Club relies on the dedication of our community to operate successfully. From music playing to events and competitions, every helping hand makes a big difference—and we couldn't do it without you!

### **Volunteer Hour Requirements by Skater Level**

To support our programs and ensure smooth operations, each skater's family is required to complete the following hours:

Skater Level	Total Hours Required	Music Playing	Flexible Events	Competition Support
Junior / Jr A	10 hours	4 hours	2 hours	4 hours
Intermediate	24 hours	10 hours	6 hours	8 hours
Senior	26 hours	12 hours	6 hours	8 hours

These hours include music playing, competition, and other flexible club events like test days, socials, and other events. We've balanced the requirements based on the number of skaters in each level and the actual operational needs from last season.

## **Volunteer Bond Policy**

To ensure fairness and accountability, a **volunteer bond of \$25/hour** will be assigned to each skater's account at the beginning of the season:

Skater Level	Required Hours	Bond Value	
Junior / Jr A	10 hours	\$250/skater	
Intermediate	24 hours	\$600/skater	
Senior	26 hours	\$650/skater	

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- The bond will be **held as a credit** and **only processed** at the end of the season if required hours are not fulfilled.
- If the club is **unable to host a competition** (thereby reducing volunteer opportunities), families will receive a **pro-rated credit**.
- If your family is unable to fulfill hours for a valid reason, please notify the board—requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

**Waiver Option**: Families hosting international students through a BC public school homestay program may request a bond waiver. Please submit a valid Homestay Placement Confirmation to the Volunteer Coordinator.

# **Important Notes and Updates**

 Music Playing Coverage: Last season, Senior sessions had a shortage in music volunteers. We encourage other level parents can help with these sessions.

- Inclusive Participation: Our goal is to include all skating families in building our community. Every role—big or small—makes a difference!
- Tracking & Reminders: We will track hours throughout the season and send periodic updates. You'll always know where you stand.

### **Why Your Help Matters**

Langley Skating Club is a non-profit organization that depends on volunteers to deliver high-quality programming. Your time:

- Keeps coaches focused on skaters (instead of running music)
- Ensures competitions and test days run smoothly
- Supports fun and memorable events like the Christmas concert
- Strengthens our community spirit

Our goal is **not to charge the bond**, but to encourage active engagement across all families.

Thank you in advance for your continued support, spirit, and teamwork. With your help, we're ready to make **2025–2026** a season to remember!

Warm regards,

The Langley Skating Club Board