



Welcome to the

# 2021 LSA Spring Virtual Challenge!

**Registration Deadline: February 21, 2021**

**PPC Deadline: March 7, 2021**

**Video Submission Deadline: March 10, 2021**

Louisville Skating Academy is excited to be hosting a virtual event for skaters of all levels.

Skaters both domestic and international are invited to participate!

The **2021 LSA Virtual Challenge** is a virtual event to allow skaters an opportunity to present their programs virtually to a panel of officials and receive an IJS protocol sheet. We hope this experience will help skaters train to be competition ready when the time comes. The officials will be judging in accordance with the rules and regulations, as set forth in the current U.S. Figure Skating rulebook, as well as any pertinent updates which have been posted on the U.S. Figure Skating website. LSA has secured Chief Referee Daren Patterson and is extremely pleased to have several Sectional, National, and International level officials scoring the programs submitted. **Judging for the virtual challenge will take place March 19 – 20, 2021.** Individual protocol sheets will be emailed to coaches and participants upon the conclusion of judging of all events. Individual virtual critiques will be offered to all participants in the qualifying levels and a live webinar addressing the introduction to protocol sheets will be offered to participants in the non-qualifying levels. In addition, a live stream of all submitted programs will be linked on the [Facebook Event Page](#) on Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 1:00 PM EST.

*USFS does not require or issue sanctions for virtual events, however, skater eligibility will not be affected by participating. During the pandemic USFS is supportive of innovative performance opportunities to engage skater participation and provide feedback to assist skaters in preparation for their return to sanctioned competitions.*



**REGISTRATION & ENTRY FEES:**

Registration for the **2021 Spring Virtual Challenge** will be done through Entryeze. Visit this link to access the registration page: <http://comp.entryeeze.com/Home.aspx?cid=171>

**The deadline to register is February 21, 2021 at 11:59 PM EST.**

Entry Fees:

- Spring Virtual Challenge .....\$55.00 first event
- Spring Virtual Challenge..... \$30.00 second event

**VIRTUAL CHALLENGE EVENTS:**

All events will be assessed with the International Judging System (IJS). If entries warrant, the referee will group skaters by level.

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>SCORING SYSTEM</b>	<b>RESTRICTIONS/REQUIREMENTS</b>
<b>Well Balanced</b>		<b>*FS &amp; SP Events will not be combined</b>
No Test Free Skate	IJS	
Pre Preliminary Free Skate	IJS	
Preliminary Free Skate	IJS	
Pre Juvenile Free Skate	IJS	
Juvenile Free Skate & Short Program	IJS	Girls: 12 yrs or younger, Boys: 13 yrs or younger
Open Juvenile Free Skate	IJS	Girls: 13 yrs or older, Boys: 14 yrs or older
Intermediate Free Skate & Short Program	IJS	Girls & Boys: Under age 18
Novice Free Skate & Short Program	IJS	
Junior Free Skate & Short Program	IJS	
Senior Free Skate & Short Program	IJS	
<b>Excel</b>		
Excel Preliminary & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Pre Juvenile & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Juvenile & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Intermediate & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Novice & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Junior & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
Excel Senior & Plus Free Skate	IJS	
<b>Adult Events</b>		<b>Must be 21 &amp; older for Adult events.</b>
Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skate	IJS	
Adult Bronze Free Skate	IJS	
Adult Silver Free Skate	IJS	
Adult Gold Free Skate	IJS	
Masters Intermediate - Novice Free Skate	IJS	
Masters Junior - Senior Free Skate	IJS	
<b>Compulsory Events</b>		<b>*To be skated on full ice</b>
Pre Preliminary - Senior Jumps Challenge	IJS	<a href="#">Jumps Challenge (Beginner–Senior)</a>
Pre Preliminary - Senior Spins	IJS	<a href="#">Spins Challenge (Beginner–Senior)</a>
Pre Preliminary - Senior Step Sequence	IJS	<a href="#">Step Sequence (Pre-Pre.–Senior)</a>
Adult Bronze - Masters Jr./Sr. Compulsory Moves	IJS	<a href="#">Adult Compulsory Moves (Adult Beginner–Masters Jr/Sr)</a>

Please refer to the USFS elements charts for the 2020-201 season:

[2020-2021 Well Balanced Free Skate Elements](#)

[2020-2021 Well Balanced Short Program Elements](#)

[2020-2021 Excel Elements](#)

[2020-2021 Adult Elements](#)

**TEST LEVEL:** Event level is the highest test passed as of the entry deadline in the discipline the skater is entering. Entrants may skate two levels above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event for Well Balanced events. Entrants may skate one level above that for which they qualify, but they may not skate down in any event for Excel events. \*Skaters wishing to skate 2 levels up should contact the event chair prior to registering at [skatingdirector@skatelouisville.org](mailto:skatingdirector@skatelouisville.org).

**PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT (PPC):** Athletes participating in the **Virtual Challenge** must submit their PPC via Entryezze. Deadline to submit PPC is **March 7, 2021 at 11:59 PM EST.**

**VIDEO SUBMISSION:** Video upload will be via entryeze. Skaters will go to their 'competition' tab and then select 'performance videos' and will be prompted to upload videos for each event entered. The deadline to submit videos is **March 10, 2021 at 11:59 PM EST.** Skaters may record a video at the time and location of their choice. Skaters do not need to rent private ice! Please review the video tip sheet for tips and recommendations for recording videos.

[Video Tip Sheet](#)

**PROTOCOLS:** Individual protocol sheets will be sent electronically to all participating skaters and their coaches once the judging concludes on March 20, 2021.

**CRITIQUES:** Virtual critiques for qualifying level skaters will be scheduled 2 weeks after the close of entries. The date and time of the live webinar addressing the introduction to protocol sheets will be announced 2 weeks after the close of entries.

**LEADERBOARD RECOGNITION:** A leaderboard will be maintained on the Facebook event page throughout the judging on March 20, 2021. The leaderboard will list the skater name (first initial, last name only), skating club, event, and score. The leaderboard will also be posted on our website on Monday, March 22, 2021.

*Medals and podium placements will not be awarded for this event.*

**VIRTUAL PROGRAM & STREAMING:** All participants will receive a link to the live streaming of all submitted programs, grouped by level. The streaming will take place on **Sunday, March 21 at 1:00 PM EST.** Invite your friends and family to join in the fun! We will also be recognizing skaters through a virtual program that will be maintained on our [Facebook Event Page](#). Skaters wanting to be recognized in our virtual program should submit a photo (posed, on or off ice) via email to the event chair by the registration deadline, February 21, 2021.

**REFUND POLICY:** Entry fees will not be refunded after the close of entry date unless the event is cancelled. There will be no refunds for medical withdrawals. The online processing fees are not refundable. The LOC reserves the right to cancel the event due to lack of registrants.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** If you have any questions about this event, please contact the Chairperson, Jessica Mills Kincade, at [skatingdirector@skatelouisville.org](mailto:skatingdirector@skatelouisville.org) or at (502) 830-8607.

