# Willmar Civic Center Blue Line Arena & Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club Safety Guidelines – Winter 2021

Covid-19 is a contagious virus that spreads through person-to-person contact. Federal and State authorities recommend social distancing as a means to prevent the spread of the virus.

Covid-19 can lead to severe illness, personal injury, permanent disability, and death.

Participating in Diamond Edge Figure Skating programs or accessing the Willmar Civic Center facilities could increase you and your child's risk of contracting COVID-19. Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club and the City of Willmar cannot guarantee that you will not contract the COVID-19 virus though participation in DEFSC activities in and around the Willmar Civic Center.

By participating in Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club activities, you acknowledge and assume the risk posed by COVID-19, and you agree you do not hold the Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club or the City of Willmar liable should you be exposed to COVID-19 in the Willmar Civic Center or during a Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club activity.

In response to the risk, the following guidelines are in place for all activities held in and around the Willmar Civic Center, including Diamond Edge Figure Skating Club programs for 2021.

## WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

### **BEFORE COMING TO THE ARENA:**

- Assess yourself and your skater for symptoms of illness. No one with fever, cough, shortness of breath, or
  any other sign of illness should go to the arena. Stay home. Please consult with a medical professional to
  ensure you are not contagious to others before returning to the arena.
- Skaters should arrive to the arena fully dressed and ready to skate. It is ideal if skaters come with skates and skate guards on.
- Whenever possible, skaters should use the restroom at home prior to leaving for the arena in an effort to limit the bathroom use at the facility.
- Leave bags and extra items at home. The only item that is allowed into the rink, with the exception of your skater's skates, is a water bottle. This bottle needs to be resealable and needs to be clearly marked with the skater's name on it. It needs to be filled prior to coming to the arena and cannot be refilled at the rink.

## **ENTERING THE ARENA:**

- **Do not arrive at the arena more than 10 minutes** before your scheduled ice time. The **exception** is skaters who are getting rental skates on the first day of class. Those skaters should arrive **20 minutes** prior to their scheduled ice time. Skates will be ready for your skater.
- The arena will be using a red light/green light system to let you know whe you may enter the arena. The light is located just above the main arena doors.
- Skaters and Coaches must not enter the arena until the GREEN light is on above the main arena entrance doors.

• Parents – whenever possible, please drop off your skater and do NOT enter the arena. For those with skaters under 10 and others that need help please follow proper social distancing guidelines while at the arena. Only one parent should enter to assist a skater with their skates.

### ONCE IN THE BLUE LINE ARENA:

- Diamond Club Skaters will enter the ice at our normal Blue Line Ice Entrance (Entrance A). Skaters will exit the ice using Exit C.
- Junior Club Skaters will enter the ice at the B entrance and exit the ice using Exit C.
- Skaters should report to the staging area near their entrance door when they arrive. Please visit with your skaters regarding entrance/exit doors and social distancing prior to arriving at the rink. Diagram noting rink doors is enclosed.
- Coaches/Instructors, Parents and Ice Monitors and Skaters are required to wear masks at all times.
- Coaches and Skaters must follow social distance rules at all times, including on and off the ice.
- Only one Ice Monitor and no skaters or Instructors will be allowed in the music area.
- No Locker Rooms will be available during our winter session. This includes our club locker room.

### ONCE IN THE CARDINAL ARENA:

Classes will line up in the Cardinal Arena with their Instructor and enter their assigned door.

## **EXITING THE ARENA:**

Skaters and Coaches should exit the arena within 10 minutes of their ice time being completed.

Please understand that it is important for everyone to observe the above policies and social distancing guidelines. Those not following the guidelines, put our Club at risk of not being able to use the Willmar Civic Center. As COVID-19 is ever-changing, we know there is the possibility that these guidelines will need to be adjusted. We will keep you posted if changes need to be made to the rules or to our programming.

