Nelson Skating Club Coach

Reports to: Nelson Skating Club Board of Directors
Designation: Contractor

Summary:
The Nelson Skating Club is committed to providing high quality programming to the Nelson community in a fun, safe environment. The Club is looking to hire a Primary StarSkate Certified coach who is currently registered as a Skate Canada Professional Coach. Programming ranges from CanSkate to StarSkate with additional programming possible as appropriate. Qualified applicants should describe their passion for the sport and the contributions they can make towards a fun, safe environment for skaters of all abilities.

Requirements:
1. Enjoyment working with children/youth of all ages and passionate about the sport of figure skating
2. Primary StarSkate Certified and willing/able to teach all club levels:
   - CanSkate
   - Jr. Academy
   - StarSkate
3. Continuous Education Program – Gold Level
4. Completed Star 1-5 training, including training as an assessor
5. First Aid Certified
6. Completed criminal record check
7. Able to teach up to Gold levels in all disciplines
8. Must share the team teaching philosophy and be able to share skater’s development and teaching with another coach, working as a team,

Responsibilities:
1. To work with other coach(es) to teach all skaters in the club, assisting in coordinating all aspects of each level – planning, on-ice, and assessment, including assuming leadership roles for other coaches when asked or needed.
2. To abide by the Skate Canada Coaches Code of Ethics and maintain up-to-date membership with Skate Canada as a Professional Coach, including upgrading figure skating skills and knowledge on a regular basis.
3. To effectively prepare skaters and guide parents in skating and coaching related matters
4. To communicate clearly, respectfully and honestly with skaters, parents and board members, including figure skating skills instructions to skaters and making coaching decisions
5. To collaborate with other coaches to ensure that the skater receives the best training possible.
6. To develop clear goals and objectives with skaters, parents, and executive members prior to the skating session debut.
7. To be up-to-date with Skate Canada rules and rule amendments at all times
8. To develop lesson plans in order to improve organizational and management skills
9. To organize and implement a fun, safe and enjoyable environment for all skaters.
10. To train, supervise, assess and evaluate Program Assistants.
11. To provide recommendations on skating matters - e.g. equipment, progression to other programs and future opportunities.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

1. Success with skaters achieving Gold levels in all disciplines, including
   - Free Skate
   - Skills
   - Dance
   - Interpretive

2. Trained in new CanSkate program

3. Able to assist in coordinating and running annual ice show

4. Able to teach off-ice training