

Criteria for 6 Annual DEFSC Awards

Four Major Skating Awards (one adult and one youth award for each category)

No skater can receive more than one major award. If a skater earns two or more annual awards, then that skater will receive the highest ranking award, with the second place skater in the lower award category receiving the other annual award.

Order of Major Skating Awards

1. Skater of the Year
2. Competitor of the Year
3. Tester of the Year
4. Most Improved of the Year

Criteria for Four Major Skating Awards

Skater of the Year

Purpose: to recognize one adult and one youth each year who is involved with club activities and really stands out among the crowd. This is the top award from the club.

Criteria: competitions, testing, seminars, volunteer and club activities, fundraising, sportsmanship, leadership.

Process: Nominations from the board *and membership* to include general reason why the person is being nominated. The DEFSC Board will then narrow the nominees to five people in each adult and youth category. The Skater Recognition Committee will write up the summary of activities and reasons for why each person is being nominated and send out for a club wide vote. Club members will be given one week to consider the candidates and vote. The deadline for voting will be at a minimum one week before the annual meeting. The winners will be announced at the annual meeting.

Competitor of the Year

Purpose: the skater with the highest number of points based on the following schedule will be the winner. There will be awards for male youth, female youth, and adult competitor of the year. The points are accumulative per competition. For example: if you enter a regional championship where there is only the initial round you receive 20 pts. Should you medal, you would also receive 80 pts., for a total of 100 pts. To receive points for final round, there must be a designated final round. Some events will not have qualifying rounds and final rounds due to the number of competitors. In this instance, you accumulate the points for the qualifying round only unless you medal. Placements in an event to accumulate points for medalist are 1st – 4th.

State Games: 2 pt. per event, Medalist 4 pts

State Games of America: 4 pts per event, Final round competitor 6 pts, Medalist in final round 10 pts

USFS Non Qualifying Competition: 2 pts per event, Final Round 5 pts, Medalist in Final Round 10 pts

USFS Regional Championship: Qualifying Round 20 pts, Final Round 30 pts, Medalist in Final Round 80 pts

USFS Sectional Championship: 40 pts, Medalist 100 pts

USFS National Championship: 50 pts, Medalist 200 pts

USFS Adult Sectional/National Championship: Qualifying Round 10 pts, Final Round 15 pts, Medalist 20 pts

ISI Adult National Events: 2 pts per event, Medalist 10 pts per event

National Showcase: 20 pts, Parade of Champions 25 pts, Medalist in Parade of Champions 30 pts

National Solo Dance: Qualifying Round 20 pts, Final Round 25 pts, Medalist in Final Round 30 pts

Tester of the Year

Purpose: to encourage increased skill levels by successful passing of tests

Process: the skater with the highest number of points based on the following schedule will be the winner of the award.

	Moves in the Field	Free Skate
Pre Preliminary	1	1
Preliminary	2	2
Pre Juvenile	3	3
Juvenile	4	4
Intermediate	5	5
Novice	6	6
Junior	7	7
Senior	8	8
Adult Pre-Bronze	1	1
Adult Bronze	3	3
Adult Silver	6	6
Adult Gold	10	10
Dance: Preliminary – Bronze	1 pt per dance	
Dance: Pre Silver – Silver	2 pts per dance	
Dance: Pre Gold – Gold	4 pts per dance	
Dance: International	8 pts per dance	

Free Dance: Preliminary – Juvenile	3 pts per level
Free Dance: Intermediate – Senior	5 pts per level
Solo Free Dance: Preliminary – Juvenile	2 pts per level
Solo Free Dance: Intermediate – Senior	4 pts per level

Most Improved of the Year

Purpose: to recognize gains made by a skater during the DEFSC membership year.

Criteria: performance in competitions and shows, successful tests passed, new jumps/spins/moves/skating skills

Process: Each coach will nominate one adult and one youth skater. All nominations and reasons supporting the nominations will be submitted to the DEFSC Board. For this particular award, the Board may rely on the help from DEFSC officials. The list of the nominees will be narrowed to 5 in each category by the Board. These 5 nominees will be submitted to the coaches for a vote and announced at the DEFSC annual meeting.

Two Major Non-Skating Awards

No one person can receive both awards. If a person earns two or more annual awards, then that person will receive the Volunteer of the Year award, with the second place person in the Fundraising category receiving that award.

Order of Awards

1. Volunteer of the Year
2. Fundraiser of the Year

Volunteer of the Year

Purpose: to recognize one DEFSC member each year who is involved with club activities and really stand out among the crowd. This is the premier award from the club for a non-skating endeavor.

Criteria: club and volunteer activities, sportsmanship, fundraising, other skating activities: committee member, committee chair, board members.

Process: Nominations from the board *and membership* to include general reason why the person is being nominated. The DEFSC Board will then narrow the nominees to five people in each adult and youth category. The Skater Recognition Committee will write up the summary of activities and reasons for why each person is being nominated and send out for a club wide vote. Club members will be given one week to consider the candidates and vote. The deadline for voting will be at a minimum one week before the annual meeting. The winners will be announced at the annual meeting.

Fundraiser of the Year

Purpose: to recognize one DEFSC member in each age category who is the most successful at raising community funds to support the DEFSC.

Criteria: activities to consider include sponsorships, raffle item donations, ad sales, pre-sold show tickets, any fundraising activity. Specific dollar amounts of funds raised will be the main consideration with the understanding that not all fundraising activities can be clearly quantified.

Process: Nominations from the board *and membership* to include general reason why the person is being nominated. The DEFSC Board will then narrow the nominees to five people in each adult and youth category. The Skater Recognition Committee will write up the summary of activities and reasons for why each person is being nominated and send out for a club wide vote. Club members will be given one week to consider the candidates and vote. The deadline for voting will be at a minimum one week before the annual meeting. The winners will be announced at the annual meeting.