



SKATE LIKE A GIRL WINTER SKATE CAMP

Parent Information

Thank you for your interest in joining us for Skate Like a Girl Winter Skateboarding Camp! This document should answer many of your questions! If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact your local chapter's email:

- **SEATTLE:** seattle@skatelikeagirl.com
- **SF BAY:** sfbay@skatelikeagirl.com
- **PORTLAND:** portland@skatelikeagirl.com

CAMPER CODE OF CONDUCT:

- At indoor sites, campers must wear a mask over your face and nose at all times, except specific occasions such as water or snack breaks
- Follow all directions given by staff and volunteers
- Respect counselors and campers, ensuring everyone feels welcome and safe
- Wear a buckled helmet at all times during camp hours. Additionally, campers will be required to wear wrist, knee, and elbow pads, unless parents approve otherwise (example: parent notes on registration that only wrist guards will be required for their child)
- Communicate appropriately by not using foul language, gestures, or unfriendly tones of voice
- Do not cause deliberate physical and/or emotional harm of counselors or campers, such as bullying, pushing, kicking, hitting, or fighting
- Do not leave the group you are assigned, and communicate any needs to your counselors, such as water, bathroom, snack, shade, etc.

If campers cannot follow these rules, they will be issued a warning and parents will be notified. If behaviors still do not change after a warning, campers may be expelled from camp at the discretion of Skate Like a Girl.

DROP OFF / PICK UP:

All campers are to be dropped off & picked up each day at camp check-in/out station. Drop off/pick up requires an adult to sign camper in/out on-site, unless noted on the registration form that camper can sign themselves in/out from camp. If you plan to have anyone other than the camper, parent/guardian or emergency contact listed in registration signing your camper in/out, please communicate this directly to Lead camp counselor on-site at pick-up or drop-off. If there are specific needs related to your child's sign in/out, such as specific individuals that cannot interact with camper, please note this on the registration form.

ON TIME DROP OFF / PICK UP:

For drop off to camp, please arrive no earlier than 10 minutes prior to the start of camp. Our staff need intentional time to set up for camp each day, and will not have the ability to interact with campers or their families prior to 8:50 AM.

For pick up, we expect parents/guardians to be on-time for pick-up each day of camp. If campers are not picked-up on-time, our staff will call contacts listed on registration form. If your camper is picked up later than 15 minutes, you may be

charged a late pickup fee of \$50*. Each additional 15 minutes delay may incur an additional \$50 fee*.

**These fees are put in place so that our staff can be paid for any additional time spent working after camp is completed, and so that this is not a continual issue that prevents our staff from getting to other post-camp jobs or other responsibilities. If this is a continual issue, it may result in your camper's expulsion from camp.*

WHAT TO BRING:

- **Mask** - We strongly recommend bringing more than 1 mask each day, as skaters will most likely be getting a bit sweaty!
- **Hand Sanitizer** - We strongly recommend sending your child to camp with their own personal bottle of sanitizer.
- **Water Bottle** - Soda and/or energy drinks are not allowed.
- **Sunscreen** - Our staff are not authorized to provide any medications to your child, including sunscreen. Youth need to apply their own sunscreen.
- **Layers** - Please send your child with a light jacket or long sleeve.
- **Nutritious Snack** - Please do not provide your child with money for vending machines, vendors, or other outside establishments.
- **Skateboard & Helmet** - In addition to mandatory helmet use by all campers Skate Like a Girl also highly recommends the use of elbow, knee & wrist pads! To ensure safety of all campers, **loaner skateboards, helmets and pads are available** for programs. Loaner gear is available upon request during camp registration. If you have already registered for camp please email your local chapter to submit a loaner gear request.

NOTE: Any requested loaner skate equipment will be issued to campers on Day 1 of camp and will be asked to be returned at the end of camp on Day 5. Campers will be responsible for bringing their loaner gear to and from camp each day.

Did you know? Skate Like A Girl has a free gear request program that provides skateboard equipment to those in need to keep. Please visit tinyurl.com/skategearrequest to submit a request!

SKATEBOARDING GEAR 101 - If you are looking to purchase your child their own gear for skate camp, here is our best advice:

- We strongly **recommend a skateboard that is a "popsicle" shape**, and we do not recommend longboards, penny boards, or cruisers. If you have further questions about where to purchase a quality skateboard or safety gear, please contact your local chapter.

- Although they seem like a good deal, mass-produced skateboards from department stores will make it harder for your child to roll, gain speed, and turn. Further, they add to the risk of falls due to an inability to properly steer or roll. **We HIGHLY recommend investing in a higher quality board.**
- Proper pads are very important. **Good pads cover the elbows and knees completely**, and have large plastic plates to allow sliding on concrete without skin contact. The straps should fit snugly around knees and elbows, without easily falling off or constricting movement. Helmets should fit snugly on the head, without causing headache (too tight) or flopping around (too loose).

PRONOUNS:

At Skate Like a Girl, we are committed to creating spaces where campers and counselors of all genders feel welcome. Every day we skate with little boys with long hair, girls who hate pink, and many more kiddos in between and beyond. In order to not misgender anyone, we ask our counselors and campers to share their pronouns with the group if they'd like. If youth don't wish to share their pronouns, and opt to use their name instead, that's totally cool. If you have additional questions, please contact your local chapter Director.

CONTACT AT CAMP OKAY WITH CONSENT

This year, we will be offering contact coaching with consent. This means counselors will only provide physical contact to spot campers if both counselor and camper consent to it. Otherwise, we will remain contactless and skate "smarter not harder", and only attempt obstacles or tricks that skaters can complete on their own. All campers must wear a helmet at all times, and we strongly encourage all campers to wear elbow, knee, and wrist protection as well.

DAILY CAMP SCHEDULE	
ASAP	<i>*Parents notified by call and email if there is a cancellation due to COVID or other factors</i>
8:50 AM	Camper check in, pad up, & open skate
9:00 AM	Camp start
9:15 AM	Circle Time
9:30 AM	Stretch & SHRED Theme of the Day
9:45 AM	Skate Instruction w/ breaks as needed
11:45 AM	Showcase
12:00 PM	Camper pick up & sign-out

**Note: 12:15PM is the latest you can pick up your child without incurring the \$50 late fee.*

DISCIPLINARY EXIT:

We typically do not honor refunds for youth who miss days of skate programming due to a behavior related expulsion. Refunds in this case will be dealt with via local Chapter Director and Executive Director on a case by case basis.

INJURY POLICY:

Campers who are injured during Skate Like a Girl program hours to the point that they can no longer participate, such as a sprain or broken bone, will be entitled to a full cash refund or program credit. Please contact your local chapter via email to receive your refund.

PROGRAM CANCELLATION POLICY:

In the event of program cancellation, due to weather or other factors (example: instructor illness), campers are entitled to a pro-rated refund or program credit equal to the class time that was missed. To claim your refund, contact active@skatelikeagirl.com.

GENERAL REFUNDS NOT RELATED TO COVID EXPOSURE, INJURY, OR WEATHER CANCELLATION

All registrations generally have a 10% non-refundable deposit. This non-refundable deposit covers administrative processing and costs of registration. Any general refund request will be honored in full, minus the 10% non-refundable deposit, if requested more than 14 days prior to the first day of the program. No refunds will be processed within 14 days of the program start date, however, we can honor a program credit to be used towards a different program. Refunds can only be processed (a) back to the original form of payment, (b) a mailed check, or (c) as a credit towards a future Skate Like A Girl program.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEE:

If for any reason you are unsatisfied with your experience, you must contact your local chapter via email within 24 hours of the start of the program. Skate Like a Girl will honor a full refund (minus 10% non-refundable deposit) or program credit for any camper who did not have a positive experience within 24 hours of the first day of a program.

***NEW* COVID SPECIAL POLICIES:** *Please note that these policies are ever-evolving, and our team will do our best to communicate any/all changes as soon as possible.*

- On Day 1 of every camp, ALL campers will be required to show either proof of vaccination status **OR** a negative COVID test (PCR or Antigen) taken within the last 72 hours from the program start time.

Acceptable forms of proof:

- Vaccination card (digital photos and printed copies are also acceptable)
- Paper copy or digital photo of negative COVID test results from a PCR or Antigen test taken within the last 72 hours from the camp start time.
- NOTE: Any of the above forms of proof can be digital copy or hardcopy. Also, we are not requiring booster shots at this time

- Mask policy:
 - Indoor camps: All skaters and Skate Like a Girl personnel are required to wear a mask over their nose and mouth for the duration of camp, except for when taking a water break. During water or snack breaks, camp attendees must slide their mask down, take a sip of water or a bite, and then put their mask back up between sips and while chewing.
 - Outdoor camps: All skaters and Skate Like a Girl personnel are strongly encouraged to wear a mask over their nose and mouth for the duration of camp.
- In the event of a COVID exposure during camp hours, Chapter Directors will be in immediate communication via email sharing out our plan of action. If camp is canceled for the remainder of the week, all campers will be entitled to a prorated refund for the remaining days missed. If our staff are exposed to COVID outside of camp hours they may not continue serving the program and camp may be canceled as a result. As with other cancellations on behalf of Skate Like a Girl, all campers will be eligible for prorated refunds/credits for days missed.
- Skate Like a Girl asks all campers and staff who are feeling ill in any way, to stay home and take care of themselves. If campers are exposed to COVID outside of camp hours, they should not return to any further camps or programs for a minimum of 10 days or more until they are no longer experiencing symptoms. Those families of the camper will be entitled to prorated refunds/credits for days missed.

***Thank you for your interest in our Camps this year.
For any further questions refer to your local chapter
email at the top of this document.***