



MANITOBA WINTER GAMES COACH MENTORSHIP PROGRAM:

Thompson March 4-7, 2026

Purpose:

Skate Manitoba is pleased to support coaches that are interested in expanding their technical skills, further develop their competition experience and increase confidence in the singles skating discipline.

The two selected Mentees will join the Teams heading to the Manitoba Winter Games in Thompson. Tammy McKay, the Mentor Facilitator, will lead this initiative. The mentees will work with Tammy while having the opportunity to be along side selected Region Team Coaches (Mentor coaches)

Procedure:

Coaches can apply to the program by filling out our online form

<https://skatecanada.wufoo.com/forms/s1c04s1n0yy8jd3/>

Deadline is November 3, 2025

Priority given to Coaches actively pursuing their Provincial Coach Certification.

Coaches that participate(d) in any of the development opportunities between April 1st and registration deadline will be prioritized.

Applications are reviewed and screened for eligibility against the mentee criteria set by the coach selection committee.

The mentorship plan will include in arena observations during practices and competition. As well as out of arena discussion and debriefing conversations.

The Mentor Facilitator will remain as a point of contact to support both mentee and mentor coaches.

The coach selection committee will oversee the program.

Criteria:**Mentees:**

- Must be minimum NCCP Regional Coach certified
- Coaching status must be in good standing throughout the entire of the Games
- Must complete coach requirements as per Manitoba Games Technical Package for Figure Skating section 4.2.1
- Can identify goals that are achievable through mentorship program
- Must commit to the mentorship plan agreed upon with the Mentor facilitator and mentor coach
- Must participate in post mentorship survey and evaluation

Learning Objectives and Projected Outcomes:**Mentee Coach** – Increased confidence and knowledge in the following areas:

- Pre Games planning and competition preparation
- Skater and Team management (scheduling and planning at MWG)
- Coaching at Games (coaching different and/or higher levels)
- Reviewing and understanding rules and results
- Building a larger network
- Motivation to get more involved

Mentee Approval:

- For the Manitoba Winter Games in Thompson, two (2) mentee spots will be open with one (1) spot having priority in the NORTH region
- Priority will be given to applicants who have shown commitment in the development opportunities between April 1 and November 3, 2025
- Applicants must meet the mentee criteria to be selected

Logistics:

Selected Mentees will travel to Thompson on the Regions Team bus that is closest to their home address. The accommodations are at the Adult Village along with the Regions coaches/mentors. Meals will be provided in the host cafeteria. The mentee coach(es) will receive accreditation.

There will be NO cost incurred by the mentee or mentor coaches.