

November 19, 2009

Dear Parents,

Skating for the Lower School begins on Tuesday, December 1 and I wanted to remind you of a service Upland Country Day School provides in order to help you acquire the correct figure skates for your child for a lesser cost. Here at Upland, we have the "Skate Closet," which allows you to rent quality used figure skates from UCDS for \$20.00. The \$20.00 covers the cost of replacing blades and sharpening. A good pair of skates might cost anywhere between \$60.00 to \$300.00. Unfortunately, we do not have hockey skates for rent.

If you are interested in obtaining a pair of figure skates from the Upland Skate Closet, please print and fill out the form below and **return it to Mrs. Andrews with a check by December 2nd**. Checks should be made out to "Upland Country Day School." I will begin fitting students who have signed up for skates during that week.

If you wish to purchase your child his or her own skates, please keep this in mind: When purchasing new **figure** skates, the boot should feel snug with enough room in the toe to move your toes. Ladies sizes 3 through 12 will generally run 1/2 to 1 1/2 sizes smaller than their street shoe size. Girls below a size 3 will be the same size or 1/2 size smaller than their street shoe. These size suggestions will not hold true for very narrow or wide feet. Each person should be fitted individually. Skating boots should be made of good, strong leather, not plastic molded. We recommend styles such as "Ridells" which can be purchased at either Iceline or Kelly's Sports in West Chester, PA. Please make sure the skates are **sharpened** before the first day of class!

Thank you,

Annamarie G. Stancato

(Full Name) _____ is interested in renting figure skates from the Upland "Skate Closet". Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$20.00, made out to the Upland Country Day School. My child has a shoe size of _____.

Signed: _____

Date: _____