

FAQ: UIT Holiday Luncheon and Olympic Oval activities

Below you'll find answers to common questions about the UIT Holiday Luncheon and Utah Olympic Oval activities. If you have a question not listed below, please contact stratcomm@it.utah.edu.

When is the UIT Holiday Luncheon?

Monday, December 11, 2023, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where is the party?

Utah Olympic Oval, 5662 Cougar Lane, Kearns

Maps

- [Google map](#)
- [Detailed parking and entry map](#)
- [Utah Transit Authority Salt Lake County system map](#)

How do I get there?

Vehicles, bicycles, etc.: From Cougar Lane, turn on Ed Mayne Lane. Take the first right into the lot with covered parking.

Shuttle: Shuttles between 102 Tower and the Oval will be available for those with reservations. Shuttles from 102 Tower to the Oval will begin loading at 10:00 a.m., with the last shuttle leaving at 10:15 a.m. at the latest. Shuttles from the Oval to 102 Tower will begin at 12:30 p.m., leaving every half-hour.

Public transit: [UTA](#) bus routes 54, 62, and 248 stop nearby. Route 248 connects to Red and Green TRAX lines.

When will lunch be served?

Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Hot beverages (coffee, hot chocolate and wassail) will be available on the center ice until 2:00 p.m.

What is on the menu?

Lunch features a holiday buffet (**not** "all-you-can-eat" 😊). [Access the menu.](#)

Alternative options will be available for vegan, gluten-free, vegetarian, nut-free, and dairy-free diners. [Access the detailed menu.](#)

I requested dietary accommodations. How do I get my lunch?

Dairy-free, vegan, and vegetarian guests should ask LUX staff for their entrees. The salad, which is gluten-free and vegan, is available on the buffet.

Dairy-free, gluten-free, and vegan guests should ask LUX staff for their desserts.

What are the activities?

- [Broomball](#)
- [Curling](#)
- [Ice skating](#)
- [KnockoutNet](#)

When do activities begin?

Curling will begin at 11:45 a.m. Other activities will begin at noon.

Skate pickup begins at 11:45 a.m.

Where do I pick up my ice skates?

From the lobby, go down the stairs or take the elevator to the right of the stairs. The skate counter is east of the stairs.

Where do I sign the Oval's liability waiver?

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/e/hC4Aasxz8z2UspJqsA3XCa/>

What happens if I do not complete the waiver?

You must complete and sign the Oval's liability waiver to participate in this event, even if you don't plan to do any activities. If you do not complete the waiver prior to the event, you will be unable to attend.

When will prize drawing winners receive their prizes?

An email announcing this year's winners will be distributed the day of the party. Winners may pick up their prizes on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, or Thursday, December 14, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the southeast corner of the 5th Floor of 102 Tower.

How cold is it inside the Oval?

It's about 60 degrees inside, so we recommend wearing warm, layered clothing that you can adjust depending on your activity/comfort level.

What should I wear?

We recommend casual, work-appropriate attire. Other recommendations:

- Wear or bring socks if you plan to ice skate

- Wear or bring sneakers or rubber-soled shoes if you plan to participate in an activity
- Wear warm, layered clothing that you can adjust depending on your activity/comfort level

What is the “Oval?”

When not referring to the Utah Olympic Oval center, the Oval is the outer ring of ice enclosing two ice sheets. It is used for ice skating.

What is an “ice sheet?”

An ice sheet is a designated area for activities inside of the Oval. There are two ice sheets within the Oval.

How do I access the Oval and ice sheets for activities?

From the lobby, go down the stairs or take the elevator right of the stairs, and follow the tunnel west. Go up the stairs or use the elevator to access the ice rink. [[Map](#)]

What are the Oval’s rules?

- Do not take food or drinks on the ice
- Do not wear sneakers on the Oval (skating rink)
- Do not wear ice skates on the concrete (off the designated ice rink)
- Do not move or sit on the pads/bumpers (that aren’t obviously designated for sitting)
- Do not pick up curling stones
- Do not hide injuries — tell an instructor and StratComm staff member if you are hurt during an activity

Can I participate in activities if I am injured/physically unwell?

Participation is at your discretion. If you opt to participate in an activity, please speak to an Oval instructor or staff member about accommodations or best practices first.

Can we sit on the bleachers?

Yes! Also, food and drinks are allowed on the bleachers.

Why are there people using the track?

Athletes use the Oval to train for the Olympics and other winter sports, so the entire facility was not available for rent.

Why are you taking photos?

We are taking photos for a Node 4 article. If you do not want us to use photos of you, please contact stratcomm@it.utah.edu.

I can no longer attend the party. What should I do with my ticket?

If you registered for the party but can no longer attend it, please email stratcomm@it.utah.edu so we can give your ticket to the next person on the wait list.

I forgot to RSVP, can I still get a ticket?

Possibly. Although there are no tickets currently available, we will reassign any returned tickets. To join the waitlist, please contact stratcomm@it.utah.edu.

I am a new employee. Can I get a ticket?

Employees hired after the registration deadline (November 17) may attend if space is available. Managers should contact stratcomm@it.utah.edu for more information.

How do I access my ticket?

After registering for the party, you received a confirmation email from Ticketleap (yourticket@ticketleap.com) containing a button to download and print your ticket (a PDF with a QR code). Open this file to access and print your ticket, which we will scan at the door.

If you are unable to print your ticket, please save the document to your mobile phone so we can scan it at the door. Or you can create a Ticketleap account, download the app to your mobile phone, and access your digital ticket there.

Ticketleap support articles

- [Purchasing and printing tickets](#)
- [Managing tickets and your buyer account](#)

Is Wi-Fi available at the Oval?

Yes. To use the Oval's guest network, you must provide your email address. If you choose to do so, please remember to use the [campus VPN](#) if you access university resources.

What will happen with any leftovers?

Leftovers will be dropped off in the 5th Floor break room at 102 Tower.

I'd love to help with UIT events — where do I sign up?

Fantastic! Please contact stratcomm@it.utah.edu.