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ice-arena/learn-to-skate-lessons for more information on how to apply for Learn to Skate lessons at The Cube.

FREMONT - If you have free time in the evening, consider visiting the Fremont Community and Recreation Complex for their public



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## LEARN TO ICE SKATE AT THESE AREA RINKS

By Leah Alsept  
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Inside a warm and comfortable home is where most would think to spend a chilly winter day in Ohio. But it's not too cold to learn something new. Visit one of Northwest Ohio's many ice-skating rinks this month, and get your skate on!

**FINDLAY** - The Cube Ice Arena is a longtime staple in the Findlay community. Established in 1974, The Cube offers a place for all kinds of skaters, no matter your experience level, to enjoy ice skating.

Ice skating lessons are offered to children ages 5 and up and to adults

aged 17 and older on Saturdays and Tuesdays from September to March. The fee is \$44 for all ages, and each session is completed across four weeks.

Remember to wear warm clothes! Hats, gloves and coats are essential to being prepared for ice skating. The City of Findlay also recommends helmets for beginner skaters, and helmets are required for skaters ages 5 to 8-years-old. Rental skates are provided and are covered in the lesson fee.

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*The Cube in Findlay has a rink that hosts figure skating and hockey clubs, public skate and ice skating lessons. (LEAH ALSEPT/The Courier)*

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skate! Their ice skating rink is open to the public on Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. The complex also offers ice skating lessons to all ages from preschool and on. Fees are \$45 for Fremont Community Recreation members and \$50 for non-members. Rental skates are included in the fees and skaters are welcome to bring their own skates.

Sessions are completed over the course of six weeks and are held on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. and on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. Session 2 lessons will begin the week of Jan. 7. For more information on how to register for lessons, contact the Fremont Community Recreation Complex at 419-334-5906 or email Recreation Superintendent Cody Bischoff at [cbischoff@fremontohio.org](mailto:cbischoff@fremontohio.org)

**BOWLING GREEN** - Bowling Green State University has comprehensive

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**Cops and Kids Go Back to School**

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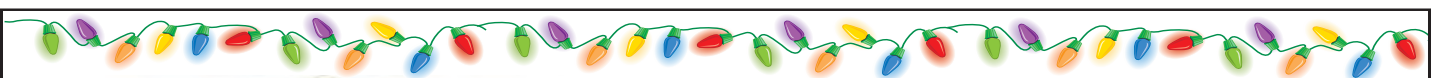
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# Fire safety protocols to keep in mind when holiday decorating

Decorating the interior and exterior of a home is a beloved holiday season tradition in millions of households. Such decor makes it easy to dive into the festive nature of the season.

Many people could not imagine a holiday season without decorating their homes, and it's vital that celebrants do so safely. Fire safety is especially important during a time of year when string lights and potentially dried out trees feature so prominently. These fire safety tips can ensure this holiday season is safe.

- **Buy the safest lights.** It might be tempting to buy the most inexpensive lights, especially given all the extra costs already associated with the holiday season. However, safety should be the utmost priority when buying new lights. Testing laboratories such as CSA, Intertek and UL certify products to ensure they're safe for use. Products that aren't certified should be avoided.

- **Use lights and cords where they're intended to be used.** The packaging on lights will indicate if the product is intended to be used indoors or outdoors. It's vital that individuals decorating their homes with lights pay attention to these labels. Never decorate the



exterior of a home with interior lights, and vice versa. Extension cords made for indoors also should not be used outdoors and vice versa.

- **Be especially careful with candles.** Candles should only be burned when adults are in the room and should always be extinguished before leaving the room or going to bed. When burning candles, place them on heat-resistant surfaces that are beyond the reach of curious kids and pets. Never place candles within arm's length of Christmas trees or houseplants, including poinsettias.

- **Ask an electrician to inspect your exterior outlets and circuits.** Ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlets are designed to prevent electric shocks and reduce the risk of electrical fires. Most areas now require new homes be built exclusively with GFCIs, which are recognizable because they feature two buttons between the outlets. But older homes may not be equipped with

GFCIs, particularly with exterior outlets. GFCI installation is not an especially expensive job, so homeowners should ask an electrician to inspect their interior and exterior outlets and replace non-GFCIs with GFCIs.

- **Do not pinch light cords.** Stringing lights can be a hassle, but cords should never be pinched in doors or windows or beneath interior and exterior furniture. Doing so increases the risk of damage to the cord, which in turn increases the likelihood of fire.

- **Avoid overloading circuits.** Overloaded circuits pose a significant fire hazard. When plugging in lights, choose outlets that aren't already occupied by devices and other electronics. If need be, unplug appliances like televisions and devices while lights are on and plugged in.

When decorating this holiday season, celebrants are urged to do everything they can to reduce the risk of fire in their homes.



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