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Group skating at the new StarCenter in Northlake brings the community together on the ice for a fun, welcoming session for skaters of all ages and skill levels.

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New StarCenter multisport facility supported by Dallas Stars opens in Northlake

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The new Children's Health StarCenter Multisport Northlake officially opened its doors this spring, bringing a major new hub for ice sports, recreation and community programming to the growing North Texas area.

Designed as both a training facility and a gathering place, the center in Denton County expands access to skating, hockey and recreational programs for kids, teens and adults of all skill levels.

Inside, visitors are greeted by a modern, state-of-the-art facility centered around one of its stand-out features: a full-size ice rink built to accommodate everything from learn-to-skate classes to competitive hockey leagues. The space is bright and welcoming, with viewing areas for families, open seating for spectators and dedicated zones for athletes to prepare, train and recover.

Beyond the rink, the facility includes locker rooms, skate rental services and multipurpose areas used for instruction, conditioning and community events. For families with children, the StarCenter offers a wide range of youth programming aimed at introducing kids to ice sports in a structured and supportive environment. Learn-to-skate classes serve as the entry point, helping younger participants build confidence on the ice before advancing into figure skating or hockey development tracks.

Youth hockey leagues provide a more competitive outlet, with teams organized by age and skill level, emphasizing teamwork, discipline, and skill progression. Parents can expect a structured schedule, certified coaching staff, and an emphasis on safety at every level of instruction.

Teen programming at the Northlake StarCenter bridges recreational and competitive opportunities. Many teens participate in travel hockey programs or advanced skill clinics designed to refine their technique and prepare athletes for higher-level competition.



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Volleyball courts inside the StarCenter provides a versatile space for pickup games, training sessions and community sports programming for all ages.

Off-ice training sessions, conditioning programs, and specialized coaching help support both athletic development and personal growth.

The facility also provides a social environment where teens can connect with peers who share similar interests, making it a community space as much as an athletic one.

Adults are also a key part of the StarCenter's community focus. Adult hockey leagues offer both recreational and competitive divisions, allowing beginners and experienced players alike to join organized play. Drop-in skating sessions provide a more casual way to enjoy the ice, while skating lessons are available for adults who want to learn a new skill or improve existing abilities.

The StarCenter also offers a free skating program to help those interested in learning. These programs are designed to be flexible, making it easier for working professionals and parents to stay active and engaged.

Beyond structured programming, the StarCenter is expected to serve as a year-round community destination. Public skating sessions offer families and individuals a chance to enjoy the ice together, while special events,

tournaments and seasonal activities bring visitors from across the region.

The facility is also expected to host youth tournaments and showcases, drawing teams and spectators that will contribute to local economic activity in Northlake.

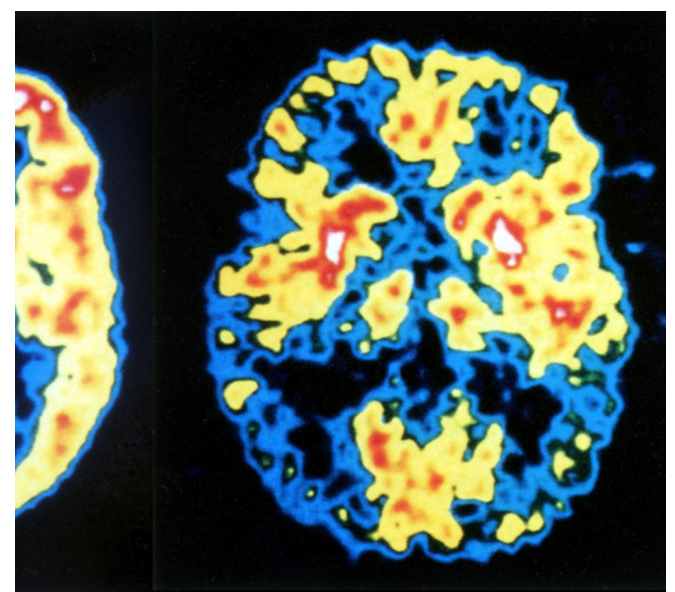
What sets the Northlake StarCenter apart is its role in supporting both athletic development and community connection. It is not just a sports facility but a shared space where beginners can take their first steps on the ice alongside seasoned athletes refining their craft.

With programming designed for all ages and abilities, it reflects a growing demand for accessible, high-quality recreational spaces in rapidly expanding suburban communities.

As Northlake continues to grow, the StarCenter is positioned to become a central part of its recreational landscape — offering residents a place to learn, compete and gather, all under one roof.

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