

**TO: Parents of Middle School ski/snowboarding trips**  
**FROM: Weston Parks & Recreation Dept.**

**Please read this thoroughly before registering!** This is our 16<sup>th</sup> year of offering after school Mt. Southington trips for grades 6-8. This year we are asking for your cooperation in order to make these trips a safe and positive experience for your children on and off the slopes.

- We need chaperones who will commit to all four trips. Especially the 6<sup>th</sup> graders,** who always need an extra hand and reminders. Please check your calendars to clear all dates before signing up and committing to these trips. In order for the trips to go well and safely, we need the consistency of the chaperones to help us do this. If you can not commit to all the dates, consider being a substitute chaperone. There will be two sign up lists for substitutes and all four trip chaperones. We mostly need chaperones who will commit to all trips.
- We suggest all boarders and skiers **wear helmets** for safety and **bring locks for their equipment at Mt Southington.** Last year a snowboard and backpack were taken. All equipment should be left behind the fence, slope side under the lights at Mt. Southington. There is a **terrain park which costs an extra \$10.** Parents do not need to give their permission for this. If your child would like to do this, they can go to the ticket window and pay the \$10. If you do not wish your child to do this, please let their chaperone know this as well as your child. **You can go on line to Mt. Southington.com to read about the park and watch a safety video. The terrain park is not for beginner levels.**
- All bags, equipment, hats, goggles, jackets and gloves should be labeled with child's name.** If they get left on the stage or bus, we can try to return them to the child. There will be a designated box for Mt Southington trips in the cafeteria for all lost belongings. If there is a lost pole, ski, helmet or board, we will keep them at the Parks and Recreation Dept. office at Norfield Rd.
- Any backpacks left on the bus, will be dropped off at the Middle School by 9am the following day. We will try to call the parent on the same night, if they would like to come back to pick it up at the Middle School.
- The Middle School administration has asked that all **equipment be dropped** off the **morning of the trips only between 7:00 a.m. and 7:15 a.m.** This will help avoid any traffic backups with the regular drop off students at the rear of the Middle School, causing children to be tardy. There will be three Parks and Recreation staff to help with directing traffic, drop off area and the cafeteria stage area. **Afternoon equipment drop offs should be between 2 and 2:15 in the rear pick up area by the cafeteria.**
- Please be sure your child gets to school on time the next day.** The school administration is not happy with us when they see that a lot of our participants in this program are tardy or absent from school on Friday.
- All boarders and skiers will be grouped by ability. There is **no guarantee** that the **same grades will ride on the same busses.** Once a child is placed in a group, they can not be moved to another group. **We will not rotate groups to other busses.** This causes a lot of confusion for the participants and chaperones. Please be sure your child understands this before signing up.

8. Trips may be canceled due to weather. If school is closed, trips will be canceled. Trip make ups will be rescheduled at the end of the schedule dates. Make up dates will be determined according to bus availability and snow conditions. Individual make ups may make up any dates on their own Mon. – Fri. between 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lessons can not be made up. If you choose to go other times the ticket may be exchanged for its value (noted on ticket) and the balance for remaining will have to be paid. No make ups on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, President's Day.
9. In event of school early dismissal, the trips will be canceled. Your child should follow his/her emergency plan for early dismissal. The Recreation Department will not notify you. If weather or conditions look questionable the Recreation office will know by 11:00 a.m. that day if the trip will go. An announcement will be made to students by the Middle School. Do not call the Middle School office.
10. **All participating must follow the mountain courteous skier/boarder policy.** Bus rules will be announced before departures according to individual bus drivers. All chaperones/trip supervisors will be authorized to inspect any/all bags before departures. Anyone with inappropriate behavior will lose their lift tickets and parents will be notified.
11. Lost tickets will not be replaced.

**REGISTRATION FORM FOLLOWS ON PAGE 3**



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**AFTER SCHOOL SKIING OR SNOWBOARDING AT MT. SOUTHWINGTON SKI AREA FOR GR. 6 – 8**

This is a four-week program for all Middle School students. Anyone planning to rent equipment must have their parent/guardian fill out a rental form. These forms must be filled out the night of registration.

**REGISTRATION:** Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Weston Middle School cafeteria.  
**IMPORTANT - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED! 90 SPACES MAXIMUM.** No registering children from other families besides your own. If space is still available after our December 8<sup>th</sup> registration, we will accept registrations at the Recreation office through Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. If registration is canceled due to incimate weather, the registration date will be Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. **NO MAILED REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED.**

**TIME:** Depart at rear of Middle School: 2:45 p.m.  
 Return at rear of Middle School: 8:45 p.m.

**DAY/DATES:** Thursday, January 20, 27, February 3 & 10

**SKIING FEES**

\$225.00 - lift ticket  
 \$235.00 - lift ticket and lesson  
 \$240.00 - lift ticket & equip. rental  
 \$265.00 - lifts, lesson & equip. rental

**SNOWBOARD FEES**

\$225.00 - lift only  
 \$235.00 - lift & lesson  
 \$260.00 - lift & rental  
 \$285.00 - lift, lesson & rental

\*\*It is suggested that you rent equipment locally for maximum skiing time. All boarders and skiers should wear helmets. All payments must be made by check, **payable to "Town of Weston."** Transportation is provided via coach bus. No spaces held by phone calls. Ski equipment may be dropped off at the Weston Middle School cafeteria stage in the morning between 7 a.m. – 7:15 a.m. but all equipment left there is at the **owner's responsibility.** All equipment must be clearly labeled with your child's name. The Recreation Department and the Middle School assume **no responsibility** at all for theft or vandalism! Bring a lock for equipment. Pack snacks or send money for your child to purchase food at the lodge. \*\*The Parks & Recreation Dept. is looking for chaperones that ski. Please join us!! Leave your name with our office. Groups can not get moved after finalized. Bus seats are not by grade (see additional memo on line or at registration). All students will be grouped by grade and ability. Chaperones may bring younger siblings if there are seats on the bus. **These trips cannot be done without help of chaperones and their commitment to all four trips.**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL – AFTER SCHOOL SKI/SNOWBOARD TRIPS - 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gr \_\_\_\_\_ Home & cell phones \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Name & phone for emergency \_\_\_\_\_  
 Doctor's Name & phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Any physical or other problem supervisors should be aware of? \_\_\_\_\_

	<b><u>Lift Only</u></b>	<b><u>Lift &amp; Lesson</u></b>	<b><u>Lift &amp; Rental</u></b>	<b><u>Lift, Less. &amp; Rental</u></b>
Ski:	\$225.00 _____	\$235.00 _____	\$240.00 _____	\$265.00 _____
Snowboard:	\$225.00 _____	\$235.00 _____	\$260.00 _____	\$285.00 _____
Skiing Ability:	Never _____	Beginner _____	Intermediate _____	Expert _____

I/We understand skiing is a potentially hazardous sport. I/We agree to hold the Town of Weston, the Weston Parks and Recreation Dept. and its agents or officers harmless from any and all claims for bodily injury and/or property damage.  
 Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

We are unable to make refunds unless it is due to an illness or injury. We reserve the right to cancel any or all of the above trips if driving/skiing conditions warrant, or if there is insufficient registration.