

October 14, 2021

PATS PEAK SKI SCHOOL INFORMATION

Dear Parents,

We look forward to another great group of students participating in the ski/board program. New Boston Central School students in **Grades 1– 6** will again have the opportunity to participate in ski and snowboarding lessons on **Fridays at 2:30 beginning January 7, 2022** and continuing for five weeks. Please note that New Boston Central School only participates in **session 1**. If you would like **your readiness, first, or second grader** to take part, a parent must accompany him/her, and they will need to be transported by parents. Third through sixth graders may pay an additional \$50 and sign up for bus transportation. Participating students will leave the school at approximately 1:00 p.m. The students that are riding the bus home will arrive back at the school gym area at 5:30 p.m. where parents are expected to meet their children. Please make arrangements if you will be late.

Pats Peak registration is completed on their website. The costs for all program options and additional add on items are listed there. The following are the most common choices and prices: Lift, lesson and rental \$350, Lift/lesson \$275, season pass holder lesson \$175 and Lift only \$175. Students choosing **“Lift Only” must possess a skiing or snowboarding skill of a level 5 (yellow) or above**. We recommend lessons for all.

All registrations this year will be online at the Pats Peak website at **patspeak.com** under **Lessons and Rentals** and click **“Learn to Ski and Ride Program”**. The access code is **NBCS-SKI2022** (case sensitive). **You must hit the final submit for the registration to complete**. You can choose to pay by check and submit your form and check to Ms. Wayland by Friday, November 12th.

For Parents—there is also an “All Lift” ticket available in the evening for parents of students participating in the program for \$35. The “Weekday Parent Frequent User Card” is being offered again this year for \$165. This is good for an 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ticket or a 1:00 p.m. to close ticket. It can also be transferred between parents!

This year there is an option to get a **rental package for the season**. If your family is going to be skiing many times throughout the ski season, this is a good deal for you. Many families have also taken advantage of the **Practice Makes Perfect Pass**. This allows their child to have the lessons with us and a full time season ski pass (not including rentals) for a total of \$484. The ski area also offers **helmet rentals**. We encourage you to either rent or purchase a helmet for your child. The correct helmet size is determined from the head circumference, measured one fingerbreadth above the eyebrow.

Pats Peak is offering the **Cafeteria Card good for \$40 worth of food for \$33**. The money is put on their ski tag and works like a debit card. Make sure the tag is attached securely.

Laminated Ski Tag—Each student in the program will receive a laminated tag to wear each week. Your child must have this pass to ski. The cost of replacement is \$10.00, so please ensure that your child has his/her tag each week. A **BONUS DAY** has become a traditional part of the Learn to Ski Program. This is an **ALL DAY/ALL LIFT** ticket. The offer is valid from February 28, 2022 through the end of the season—Saturday Night POP (Pay One Price) is not included. Students who rented equipment during the ski season will also get free rentals on the day they turn in their laminated tag. Students may also use their ski tag for a lift ticket at Bretton Woods and Cranmore.

Pats Peak will hold its Annual Oktoberfest in conjunction with the **Pats Peak Ski Club’s Annual Sale** on Sunday, November 7th from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. This is a great place to find new and used equipment at reasonable prices. Check your equipment for sizes and working order before this date!

What to Wear—Here are a few suggestions for the skier or snowboarder (and great holiday gift ideas, too!). They will need long underwear, turtleneck or collared shirt, thermal or wool socks (no cotton, and we recommend a second pair in case the student’s feet get wet), sweater, waterproof jacket, snow pants, a wool hat to protect against frostbite and loss of

body heat (instructors will not take students for a lesson unless they wear a hat and/or helmet), a neck warmer that pulls up to keep the chin and nose warm, 2 pairs of waterproof mittens (no grandmother's knit mittens, please, as knit gloves or mittens soak up water like a sponge!), and goggles or sunglasses. **Again, we encourage the use of a helmet.**

Chaperones— If you are interested in chaperoning, *please fill out the form below*. We have several openings for new chaperones this year, so sign up early. Spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. **All of our chaperones**, returning and new, will be required to watch a video on bullying. Our school is following the state laws that require our chaperones and staff to understand bullying as it applies to our students. The film is available at the SAU website, <http://goffstown.k12.nh.us/index.php/special-projects>. You will be asked to watch this film on your own time. When you have viewed the video, send the signed form printed from below the video to Ms. Wayland. **New chaperones are also required to have fingerprinting for a background check. It needs to be done soon so that your approval will arrive before ski season. Please see the information on the weekly school notice.**

Please read carefully:

We have learned that rules and safety measures have been adjusting throughout the pandemic. Pats Peak has kept many of their adjustments to the facilities from last year. There will be outside seating and food ordering. They request that limited items are brought into the lodges. Face masks are not required but safety measures are encouraged. Students riding on the bus will need to wear masks on the bus and work at keeping social distance. Pats Peak will follow state guidelines and expect participants and families to follow any mandates that may arise during the season.

Bus Transportation—If you would like your grade 3-6 child to travel on the bus, there is also a **transportation fee of \$50 made payable to New Boston Central School**. Please sign up with payment and the form below soon as the bus spots fill quickly. Students riding the bus need to return their gear to the rental shop by 4:45 p.m. and be ready to board the bus by 5:00 p.m. **Please note—Students are not supervised while skiing/riding before or after their lessons.** Chaperones will help students get their gear on and get them to lessons. Lessons are from 2:30-3:30. Beginners are shown back to the lodge after their first few lessons. All bus students are to check back in with Ms. Wayland, Mrs. Winchell, or Ms. Underwood at our designated area in the lodge between 3:30 and 3:45. After a short break the students head back out to the trails and lifts they were on during their lesson. This is a time to practice what they worked on with the instructors. They are required to always have a buddy with them and are instructed NOT to go on any trails or lifts that they have not been on with their instructors.

All applications need to be COMPLETED by Friday, November 19th. If paying by check, turn it in to Ms. Wayland by Friday, November 12th with the printed registration form.

Questions to Danielle Wayland at danielle.wayland@sau19.org.

Bus transportation checks for \$50 should be made payable to New Boston Central School. Please return this form to Ms. Wayland. Bus and chaperone information cannot be done online.

Student(s) Name:		Homeroom:	
Chaperone	☐ I am interested in chaperoning the Pats Peak Ski/Ride Program. ☐ I have not had the district background check completed, but will do it ASAP		
Name:		Date:	
Bus Transportation	☐ My child(ren) will be traveling by bus and I have included the \$50.00 per student transportation fee made payable to New Boston Central School ☐ My Child(ren) has/have been registered for the program online		
Parent signature		Date:	