

ATTENTION SKIERS & SNOWBOARDERS



WHO: Anyone Grades 6-8

WHAT: MMS Ski/Snowboard Club Informational Meeting

WHERE: MMS Auditorium

WHEN: Friday, December 2nd, during TA



Last day to sign up is

Friday, December 16, at 3:00pm

No registrations will be accepted after this date.

**Return all forms and money to
Mrs. Cartier (room 107) or the front office.**

MMS SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB 2023

Dear Parents,

The River Falls Public Schools will be offering the Middle School Ski/Snowboard Program to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders. This program is in cooperation with Afton Alps Ski and Snowboard Area.

Attached you will find a copy of the guidelines and procedures. We urge you to go over them with your son/daughter and keep them as reference until this program is over. As district chaperones, we are instructed to enforce these policies. If you have any questions, please contact, Mrs. Cartier at Meyer Middle School (715)-425-1820 ext. 3325.

The program will run five times on the following dates:

Week #1 **Thursday, January 5**

Week #2 **Thursday, January 19**

Week #3 **Thursday, January 26**

Week #4 **Thursday, February 2**

Week #5 **Thursday, February 9**

*Our inclement weather dates are tentatively scheduled for: **February 13 & 23***

- **COLD WEATHER:** In case of extremely cold weather, the program for that evening will be canceled by noon of that day.
- **REIMBURSEMENT:** There will be no reimbursements made to students who miss an outing; unless it is an excused absence for the school day or they submit a medical report to the health aide or a chaperone.
- **LEAVING MMS FOR THE SKI AREA:** The ski buses will begin loading at 3:00pm in the North parking lot at MMS and will leave at **3:15 sharp**.
- **FAILURES:** Students with failures from 1st or 2nd quarters will be dealt with according to the Athletic Code. *(Students will miss 1 outing for each failure from 1st & 2nd quarters.)*
- **RETURNING TO SCHOOL FROM AFTON ALPS:** The buses will arrive back at school by **8:30pm**. Parents are expected to pick up their child at that time. **PLEASE BE ON TIME**. The buses will unload in the **north parking lot**.
- **Busing & Lift Ticket PRICE: \$200.00.** Make checks payable to **River Falls Public Schools**. Students with season passes will need to pay \$75.00 for busing/supervision and have their pass with them every week.
- **RENTALS: \$32.00 each night** (for skis & poles/snowboard, boots, **and** helmet) **These prices are not included in the price above** and will be an additional expense each week. If your child will need to rent equipment, please add an **additional \$160** to your payment and **complete the attached rental form** with the following requirements: Participant Information, Height, Weight, Shoe Size, Signature of both Student and Guardian.

*Please review the **EMERGENCY PROCEDURE, GUIDELINES FOR ALL MMS SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS AND THE NSSA RESPONSIBILITY CODE** prior to signing up for this program.*

We believe we have established a worthwhile, enjoyable and safe program for our MMS students. Any student who does not follow the above guidelines may be excluded from the program for the remainder of the season.

NO REFUND WILL BE MADE IN THIS CASE.

***** EMERGENCY PROCEDURES *****

Please read through ALL of these procedures and guidelines.

- Parents are responsible for providing adequate medical insurance information upon enrolling into the program.
- Emergency contact people must be available during the hours of 3:00-8:45pm.
- In case of emergency the following steps will be taken.
 1. The Ski Patrol is responsible for removing the victim from the ski slopes and administering first aid.
 2. The chaperones will attempt to notify parents by phone. If no answer, the alternate emergency numbers will be called.
 3. If the parents or an alternate person can be reached, they will be informed of the child's condition and of the Ski Patrol's recommendation and must then assume responsibility for any further actions.
 4. If the parents or alternates **cannot** be reached, the chaperones will follow the recommendations of the Ski Patrol. Should further treatment be required, an ambulance will be called and students will be taken to a nearby hospital in Hastings for treatment.

***** GUIDELINES FOR ALL SKIERS/SNOWBOARDERS IN THE MMS PROGRAM *****

- Students are responsible for their own equipment.
*** Make sure all of your gear is labeled. Make sure it is readable, has accurate information and is attached securely to your bags.
- **ALL** Meyer Middle School students are to use the **ALPS CHALET** (main chalet at the bottom of the slopes). **NO** students are to be in the Meadows or the Highland Chalets, unless it's an emergency. This does not restrict students from skiing/snowboarding the entire area.
- Any student that will not be riding the bus back to school must have written permission from **their** parents. **ALL** notes are to be given to their bus chaperone before leaving school. ****** Parents must check in with one of the chaperones, at the area, before leaving the area with their child. Chaperones will be on the upper level of the Alps Chalet.**
- Students are expected to be respectful, both on the slopes and while in the chalet.
- Students who choose to not follow the rules established by AFTON ALPS or the River Falls School District will not be allowed to continue in the program.
- **ALL** students riding the bus must be on the bus 15 minutes before departure from the area. Students who detain the buses will be prohibited from participating the following week. **WE WILL DEPART FROM AFTON ALPS AT 8:00 SHARP.**
- Students **WILL NOT** be allowed into the school to use the telephone or to go to their lockers when we return to school. **Arrangements for transportation home must be made ahead of time.**
- **ALL** school and bus rules will be enforced. This includes **NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES ON THE BUS.**

***** NATIONAL SKI/SNOWBOARDERS ASSOCIATION'S RESPONSIBILITY CODE *****

THIS CODE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED BY AFTON ALPS AND MMS CHAPERONES

1. Always stay in control, and be able to stop and avoid other people and objects.
2. People ahead of you have the right-of-way. It's your responsibility to avoid them.
3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.
4. Whenever starting downhill or merging into a trail, always look uphill and yield to others.
5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe all posted signs and warnings. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas including the woods.
7. Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load and unload safely.
8. **NEVER** ski/snowboard on trails and runs that are above your ability.
9. **NEVER** attempt to get off a lift, except at the designated unloading area.

SKI/SNOWBOARD EMERGENCY REGISTRATION FORM 2022-2023

Please fill out completely and return with payment by the end of the school day on December 16th.

STUDENT'S NAME (print) _____

GRADE _____ HOUSE _____

PARENT'S NAME (print) _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

Please check the appropriate categories:

_____ has their own equipment

_____ will be renting (additional \$160)

_____ have a season pass # _____

INSURANCE COVERAGE

This information must be provided at the time of registration.

INSURANCE COMPANY _____

ADDRESS OF COMPANY _____

LOCAL AGENT _____

POLICY # _____ DATE _____

I have reviewed the policies and procedures with my son/daughter and accept full responsibility for the cost of treatment for any injury he/she may incur while taking part in the ski/snowboard program, with the River Falls Public Schools. I hereby authorize the chaperones to seek whatever medical care is necessary, if an emergency occurs.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

We will be using the emergency phone numbers that are on your son/daughter MMS Registration Form.

******Please make sure that these have been updated.***

I have reviewed and understand the guidelines, policies and procedures that have been set up by the River Falls Public Schools Ski/Snowboard program.

Student's Signature _____ Parent's Signature _____

***** Return this registration form and \$200.00 (+ \$160.00 if needing rental equipment & rental form) to Mrs. Cartier (Room 107) no later than 3:00pm Friday, December 16. *****