

Ski and Snowboard Trips

Facilitated by ISD 719 Community Education

Ready to join an activity and get outside? We'd like to start the **2023-24 Middle School Ski and Snowboard Trips to Buck Hill!**

We will head to Buck Hill on MONDAYS –starting December 18, 2023 since the snow is already flying! Buck Hill has an on-site ski school and has worked with our school district for years. Lessons are available for beginner skiers and snowboarders as part of the rental purchase.

We will offer a 5-week package.

Rental Equipment: The cost of rental equipment is included in package “A”. None of the other packages include rental equipment. So if you need to rent, select Option A.

Meals: Students will need to bring money to purchase dinner items/snacks. Buck Hill offers a variety of choices in the chalet area -- such as burgers, hot dogs, salads, French fries, donuts, drinks (typically \$3 to \$6/per item). Money can also be placed on a Buck Hill debit card.

Transportation: The buses will leave the middle school south parking lots at 2:35 p.m. **Bus transportation is ONE WAY**, and students need to be picked up at Buck Hill by 7:30 p.m. Most families arrange to meet near the clock tower or in the chalet for pick-up. Staff supervision of students will end at 7:30 p.m.

Equipment: On Ski Trip Mondays, there will be trailers in the south parking lot of TOMS. All HO and TO families need to load their equipment into these trailers. Students are not allowed to bring any equipment (skis/boards) on the “regular” school buses. Parents, please bring your student's ski/snowboard equipment to the trailer between 6:50-7:15 a.m. on the morning of each trip. Students can bring their boots and warm clothing to the school storage area at HOMS or TOMS.

MS Ski Trip Dates (weather permitting):

- Monday, Dec. 18, 2023 - Trip #1
- Monday, Jan. 8, 2024 - Trip #2
- Monday, Jan. 22, 2024 - Trip #3
- Monday, Jan. 29, 2024 - Trip #4
- Monday, Feb. 5, 2024 - Trip #5

***NO SKI TRIP on January 15 – due to MLK holiday/no school.**

Register online at www.priorlakesavagece.com under Community Education Youth Programs.

Ski and Snowboard Trip Information



Ski and Snowboard Trip Registration:

Registration is open until our program fills. Here is the link: <https://priorlake-savage.ce.eleyo.com/course/6771/ski-snowboard-2024/ski-trips-6-8-grade>

****No refunds will be given after December 11, 2023. Processing fees will be deducted from any refund (due to injury/etc).**

Option A: 5 lift tickets, 5 lessons, 5 RENTALS (\$260) + activity fee (\$94) = \$354

Beginner Lessons provided by Buck Hill staff are optional.

Option B: 5 lift tickets, 5 lessons (\$130) + activity fee (\$94) = \$224

Beginner Lessons provided by Buck Hill staff are optional.

Option C: Activity fee/transportation only (for season pass holders) = \$94

The activity fee allows PLSAS to facilitate weekly field trips to Buck Hill, where open skiing, lift tickets, optional lessons and equipment rental are available to registered students. Please note that PLSAS Community Education is providing access to these activities, but they are not PLSAS programs or staff. PLSAS Community Education does provide two staff persons as a resource and point of contact for students. Parent volunteers are also very involved and background-checked to assist students as needed.

Helmets are included in the rental package (A) for this winter season.

The following waivers must be completed before the first trip.

- Buck Hill Activities Day Pass Agreement: <https://bit.ly/49v9awy>
- Buck Hill Rental Agreement (If you are renting, please fill out this form in addition to the day pass): <https://bit.ly/40kfYIY>

For questions or more information, please contact:

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Additional Ski and Snowboard Trip Information



Rental Form:

❖ Your student's rental form will be filled out prior to check-in by the coordinator(s).

MOST IMPORTANT DATA NEEDED: WEIGHT, HEIGHT AND SHOE SIZE

❖ Your student's rental form will be given to them at check-in at school and they will be advised to keep it safe until they get to the rental shop.

❖ After getting equipment – students can store their belongings in a locker or in the rental shop or in a storage spot reserved for our schools. We will show the students this area on the first day.

Lessons:

❖ On the first day, students will begin their lessons as soon as they leave the rental shop. Lessons start at 4:00 p.m. and last about 30-40 minutes.

❖ Meet right outside the rental shop BY THE BELL and flag area. If you have any problems – please let someone know. We have chaperones near rental shop to help with any problems until all students get their equipment. Buck Hill Instructors are located in this area and wear bright blue coats.

Clothing:

❖ Layers of clothing are best to keep kids warm. Ski masks to cover faces are great for cold days.

❖ Ski goggles are great for eye protection. Helmets are strongly recommended.

❖ Ski Trips will only be cancelled if school is cancelled or we have major low temps; so prepare your child for the weather conditions each week.

Contact: Kiley Meyhoefer - Coordinator

❖ If you have questions you can reach me at 952-226-0309 or my cell phone number is 612-408-8012.

❖ Rachel McKay will be the main PLMS supervisors at Buck Hill.

❖ Supervisors will be located in the main room of the chalet for most of the evening until 7:30pm.

❖ Our staff will sit at the front tables (near the windows) facing Buck Hill.

Volunteers:

❖ You will receive more details via email about your volunteer role a few days before program begins.

Note to PARENTS: Thanks for your support in making Ski and Snowboard Trips a success for many MS students from HOMS and TOMS! Participation in the ski and snowboard trips is a privilege and students must follow all school rules and guidelines while on the Ski and Snowboard Trips. Students must be respectful and behave appropriately at all times. Please remind all participants that if he/she chooses not to abide by the rules or to spend the majority of his/her time in the chalet, parents will be called and asked to pick up your student. One more request of all parents: **PLEASE VOLUNTEER** to help these trips run smoothly! Thanks ahead of time for your help and support!! Looking forward to another super season!

Sample of Online Agreement: Ski and Snowboard Trips Consent and Behavior Form



The undersigned, parents of _____, minor, who desired to participate in the Ski and Snowboard Trip activities, hereby give my consent to the participation of said minor in such program.

The undersigned acknowledges having full knowledge of the hazards involved in the activities of skiing and snowboarding and are also aware of the association of risk doctrine that protects most ski areas from injuries resulting from normal use of ski slopes.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that they have been informed of the general rules regarding the operation of the trips, and the specific rules related to the use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs as outlined in the student handbook. I also understand students can have their lift tickets taken away if they are not following the rules of the ski area or if they are skiing or boarding in a manner hazardous to themselves or others.

Furthermore, I understand that violation of the rules for school activities or any other illegal acts will result in removal from the Ski and Snowboard Trips **without a refund!** More specifically, the undersigned acknowledges the following rules and consequences for breaking the rules.

Unacceptable Behavior	Consequences	
	1 st Infraction	2 nd Infraction
1. Use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs	Removal from future trips	
2. Disrespect to authority	Loss of one ski pass	Removal from future trips
3. Use of profane language	Loss of one ski pass	Removal from future trips
4. Inappropriate bus behavior	Loss of one ski pass	Removal from future trips
5. Inappropriate ski chalet behavior	Loss of one ski pass	Removal from future trips
6. Inappropriate slope behavior	Loss of one ski pass	Removal from future trips
7. Leaving Buck Hill 3-7:30 p.m. (without supervisor permission)	Removal from future trips	

If a student is removed from future trips for unacceptable behavior, **NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED!**

Students must be in good standing academically to participate in ski and snowboard trips.

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

School: _____