Ski Utah Web Meeting 2023-24

Part I: Trip Prep, Registration, Rentals



#### Ski Utah School Program



Organization and Procedures

How To Ensure a Smooth Trip to the Mountains!



#### **Donations**

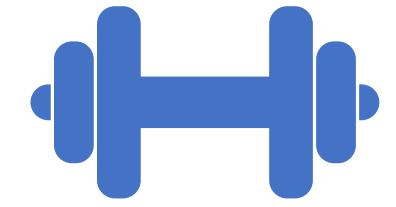
- □Donation is \$36. Includes, bus, lift ticket, rentals and lesson.
- □We'll give any child who cannot pay a scholarship. There is no scholarship application.
- $\square$ Any donation helps even if it's \$5.

#### Donations: Trip Summary

Pay Ski Utah w/one check from the school or Pay district (we do not accept individual checks from parents) Please use the trip summary when sending Use donations to the district or Ski Utah. Mail trip summary and check immediately Mail following your trip – not before.

#### Preparation: Teacher Resources

- ☐ Use the website with support materials for both fitness and cross-curricular lessons. Go to www.skiutah.com/scho ol. Click on the Teacher Resource button.
- ☐ Training videos are accessed off this website as well. You may need to download them.





### Preparation Be Ready!

#### Two Videos!

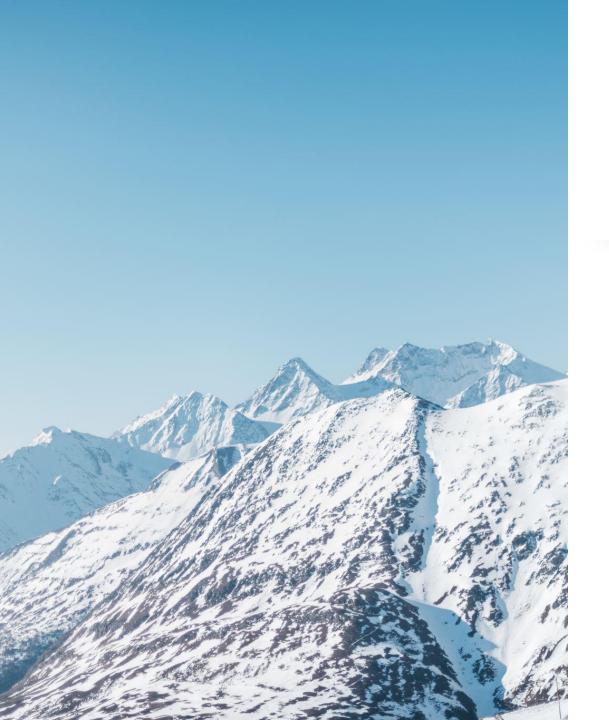
One video highlights indoor exercises to practice prior to the trip. The other reviews a first-time ski and snowboard lesson. Access them under Teacher Resources. Use them!

## Preparation: Pre-ski & Ride Lesson

If you, another teacher, spouse, friend, can teach the dry land lesson to the class, I will send them a lift ticket their time.

The pre-ski lesson outline is under Teacher Resources. I will offer a webinar or meeting to review skills.

Since COVID, Ski Utah no longer sends outside help to the schools for a pre-ski lesson.



#### Preparation: Understanding Terrain @ the Resort

Make sure parents and students understand that this is a beginner program. We ski green terrain. We do not ski blue or black terrain! If they are expert skiers, it might be a good idea to learn to snowboard and visa versa!



### Preparation: Clothing

- □Review proper dress and stress layers as part of a weather lesson. Do a dress rehearsal.
- □Check socks. One pair of thin or medium weight ski socks; soccer socks are a good alternative. Avoid cotton anklets and socks with ribbing.
- □Students should not be boarding the bus without a hat, mittens or gloves, winter jacket, or long underwear!
- ☐ If students pick up gear in town, they should wear it on the bus. Boots should not go under the bus.

#### Registration

**Everyone registers online.** If parents don't have a computer, have the parent register the student on a school computer.

Do not use your personal or school email! Do not register multiple children yourself.

Collect waivers w/payment; parents will be prompted to print a waiver after they complete the registration process, but I would suggest sending home a hard copy of waivers to be signed.

#### Registration: Special Needs Children

If you have special needs children who are participating in the program, I need to know about them by Oct. 20.

Parents will need to fill out Ski Utah forms **plus** the forms from the programs that will service those students (NAC in Park City and Wasatch Adaptive Sports at Snowbird).

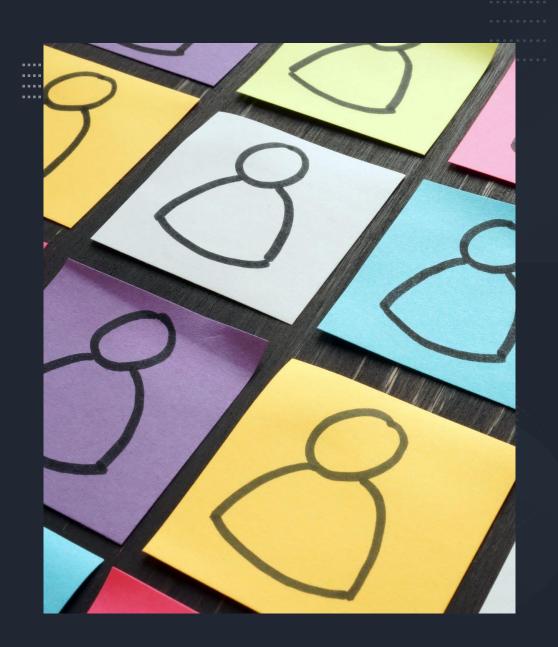
#### Registration: Link for online registration

### This link is also listed in the parent letter.

https://www.skiutah.com/skiutahpassport/registration/fourthgrade

#### Registration Instructions: Step by Step Help For Parents and Teachers Copy and Paste

https://www.skiutah.com/resources/4th-grade-fitness-program/index.html/School%20Program%20Application%20-%20Parent%20Instructions1.pdf



## Registration: Student Deadlines & Applications

Students should be registered a minimum of 2.5-3 weeks prior to the trip.

Parents must complete the entire process. If they don't, the child doesn't show up on your list. Have them log back in and finish the process.

There are no fees taken at online registration unless the parent also buys a 4<sup>th</sup> grade passport. The students bring their donations to school. If a parent tells you that the site charged them money and they were not also buying a passport, they signed up for the wrong program.

**Register for Ski Utah's Learn to Ski and Ride School Program.** That link does not ask for money.

#### Registration: Teacher Access

- ☐ Teachers will have access to student registration and can check it routinely to make sure students have registered and/or to encourage them to do so.
- ☐ Be sure that the contact teacher's cell phone number is on the sheet, i.e., the main teacher contact who is in charge of the trip for that day.
- ☐ If you have a registration log-in from last year, you can use it. If you don't, you need to create one. You can change your password if you want but please do not create multiple accounts.



#### Rentals: Securing Rental Equipment

Schools where equipment pick-up is difficult will get gear at the resort, but space is limited.

Schools with parents who can manage equipment pick-up on their own the night before the trip will get gear in town.

Park City (both base areas), Brighton, Solitude, Sundance, and Snowbasin supply equipment at the resort.

# Rentals: Equipment at the Resort

Online registration asks parents for height, weight and shoe size. If parents neglect to input that information, please put it on the spreadsheet.

Parents must still put that same information on the rental form and sign it. We need it in writing with a signature for the ski area. It's' the legal form.

# Rentals: Resort Forms for Equipment

A PDF version of the rental forms for each ski area will be emailed to everyone by Nov. 10.

If the form lacks a spot for shoe size, print it at the top of the form, i.e., shoe size 5.

I will also post rental forms under Teacher Resources.

# Rentals: Forms & Resort Equipment

Highlight all important info on the form.

No arrows pointing to the correct line.

Parents must complete all information and sign on the correct line, or the rental form will not be accepted.

Must have name, address, height, weight, shoe size.

# Rentals: Resort Rental Forms

Teachers should not sign rental forms at the resort.

If the rental form does not designate skier or snowboarder, write that on top of the form as well.

Beware of parents who put their own information on the rental form! Most 4<sup>th</sup> graders are not 5'8" tall, 160 pounds with a size 9 shoe.

#### Rental Forms: Skier Type Explained

- □ Skier Type is not the same as skill level. It's just for setting ski bindings. Snowboards are not applicable.
- ☐ Skier Type Code:
- ❖ Type I − Cautious skiing on easy slopes and all entry level skiers
- ❖ Type II Those who are not Type I or Type II
- ❖ Type III Fast skiing on moderate to steep pitches

We most likely will not have any kids in this program renting equipment who are Type III and very few who would be Type II. It's safe to put Type I for all students.

### Rentals: What to Do with Resort Forms

TEACHERS BRING THE RENTAL FORMS TO THE SKI AREA ON THE TRIP DAY.

TEACHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR MAKING SURE THAT EVERY
CHILD HAS A RENTAL FORM;
MATCH FORMS WITH STUDENTS
OR THEY MAY NOT GET GEAR.

TEACHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR CHECKING RENTAL FORMS
AND REGISTRATION FOR
ACCURACY, I.E., HEIGHT, WEIGHT,
SHOE SIZE. IF THERE ARE GAPS IN
THE INFORMATION, WE CAN'T
GIVE THE CHILD EQUIPMENT.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pick Up In Town

If students pick up rentals in town, you will receive vouchers 5-7 days prior to the trip. If you don't have them 5 days out, and haven't gotten a message, then call or text me.

Shop addresses & hours are on the vouchers, but hours are subject to change between Dec. and Jan. I will notify you when hours are different.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pick Up In Town

- ☐ Parents may only pick up gear the night before the trip.
- □ Equipment must be returned immediately following the trip i.e., same day of the trip. If gear is returned late, parents will be charged the full rental fees for each late day.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pick Up In Town

Count vouchers as soon as they arrive to make sure you have enough.

If you are short vouchers, we will send you the template with instructions on how many to print from each shop.

Please do not call looking for vouchers at the last minute as you will probably not get a hold of me.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pickup In Town

If a child shows up without their gear, they are not going!

If you know that a child will be unable to get equipment at a ski shop in town, we can *possibly* get it at the resort, but parents will need to fill out a rental form from that resort 7-10 days prior to the trip.

Teachers should not sign rental forms in place of parents.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pick-up In Town



Please distribute vouchers evenly among the shops. If I send extra vouchers, do not send all the kids to two shops and leave one shop out completely. That leaves their staff "twiddling their thumbs" when the shop has asked them to be at work to accommodate us.



Snowboard rentals come from designated Ski-N-See only.



#### Rentals: Teachers

- ☐ You may not use student vouchers for rentals!
- ☐ You'll receive an email sometime before the start of the program with a rental coupon for a discounted rental at shops in town as well as policies for rentals at the ski area.

#### Rentals: Equipment Pick-up in Town

Students should wear their gear to the ski area, including their ski boots if renting in town. *Do not put ski boots under the bus!* 

