

#### J.N. BURNETT SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child has indicated a desire to take part in the Burnett Ski and Snowboard Club for the 2023/2024 school year. This letter and attached notices provide you with the details of upcoming trips. This year we have arranged four after school trips to Grouse Mountain in West Vancouver.

Starting Wednesday February 7th 2024, then continuing the following Wednesdays, students will participate in four sessions of skiing or snowboarding at Grouse Mountain. Sessions have been booked for: February 7th February 14th, February 21st and February 28th, 2024. Students will be transported to and from Grouse Mountain by the TRAXX Bus Lines Company. Students will depart Burnett at 2:45pm SHARP. On each of the four ski/snowboard club days, students will have a 1.5-hour lesson (4:30-6:00pm) provided by professional instructors (novice through expert lessons available). Participation in these lessons is a mandatory requirement of being a member of the club. Students will then have an additional two and a half hours of time for dinner (not provided in the cost) and skiing or snowboarding with their fellow club members. Departure from the mountain will be at 9:00pm SHARP with an estimated time of arrival at Burnett of 10:00pm. Students are expected to follow all school rules and be ON TIME for all bus departures. Please Note: The Grouse Mountain Tram operates every 15 minutes. Students must take this into consideration when leaving the mountain top ski area. Students who cannot meet these expectations will have their ski/snowboard privileges revoked at their own expense. Please note that all times are approximate, as actual travel times will vary due to road conditions and traffic.

- The club is open to all levels of skiers and snowboarders and is a wonderful opportunity for students to develop skills in a lifelong leisure activity. Students are expected to provide their own ski/snowboarding clothing (pants, gloves, jacket, etc). There is an option for students to rent skis, poles, boots, snowboard, and bindings if they do not have their own. Helmets are mandatory for all skiers and snowboarders and can be provided by Grouse Mountain.
- Space is limited for this program as bus capacity dictates the number of students that can partake in the club. Registration for the club will be done on a first come, first served basis. The first **50 participants** with all completed forms and full payment will secure on the **GROUSE MOUNTAIN SKI TRIPS**. Please return all forms to **Ms. Meralli** in room D122. Costs may rise if we do not fill the charter bus to maximum capacity.

### **Expectations:**

- As this is a school sponsored activity, all school rules apply to students.
- Skiing/Snowboarding can be a high-risk activity and requires maturity and responsibility from all participants to ensure the safety to of self and others.
- There is an expectation of <u>timeliness</u>. Students need to load the bus and tram on time.
- Students will be responsible for maintaining all schoolwork requirements while participating in this club.

If expectations are not met, students may lose the privilege to participate or continue in the program. **Please note:** Lessons that are cancelled due to weather will be rescheduled by the mountain staff.

## The cost of the 4-day Grouse Mountain Program is as follow (taxes included):

Ski/Snowboard – Lesson, Staff and Transportation, Lift Ticket, Rental	= \$455	
Ski/Snowboard – Lessons, Staff, Transportation and Lift Ticket (no rental)	= \$360	

## **PAYMENT**

All payment needs to be made on SchoolCash Online and have proof of payment (printed receipt/image on phone).

PAYMENT INFO:  Ski/Snowboard – Lesson, Staff and Transportation, Lift Ticket, Rental = \$455  Ski/Snowboard – Lessons, Staff, Transportation and Lift Ticket (no rental) = \$360				
I have read and completed all the attached forms.				
Student Signature:	Parent/Guardian Signature:			
Student Name:	Parent/Guardian Name:			

# **CHECKLIST**

Please find the following important notices attached:

# Forms to be signed and returned back to Burnett:

SA-80: General Consent/Permission Form
 SA-81a: Student Acknowledgement of Risk Form
 Skier/Snowboarder Participant Information Form
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Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Meralli, or Ms. Russell at Burnett (604) 668-6478.

Yours Sincerely,

Ms. F. Meralli and Ms. J. Russell Ski/Snowboard Club Coordinators

# POST ON FRIDGE BURNETT SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB OUTLINE 2023/2024

#### **GROUSE MOUNTAIN:**

**PROGRAM:** 4 x 1.5-hour lessons (novice through expert) with professional qualified instructors

4 x Lift passes for chair lift access

4 x round trip transportation from Burnett to Grouse Mountain

**WHEN:** Wednesday February 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

WHERE: Grouse Mountain, West Vancouver. Phone: Snow and Information Line (604) 986-6262

Switchboard (604) 984-0661

**TRANSPORT:** Traxx Bus Lines

**SCHEDULE:** 2:45pm – Bus departs Burnett Secondary School

3:15pm – Arrival at Grouse Mountain - Rental equipment pick up

- Lesson set up 4:30pm – Lessons Begin

6:00pm - Dinner Break/Free Skiing and Snowboarding time

8:30pm - Return rental equipment and take Grouse Mountain Tram to parking and load busses

9:00pm - Attendance and depart for Burnett Secondary School

10:00pm – Arrive at Burnett Secondary School

(PARENTS: PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU ARE ON TIME TO PICK UP YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER)

\*\*Please note that times are all approximate as actual travel times will vary depending on road conditions, latecomers. etc.\*\*

#### **NOTES:**

Prior to the first trip, club members will participate in a school-based session to review: appropriate mountain clothing, a mountain safety video entitled "Respect," appropriate fitness requirements, the Alpine Responsibility Code and the layout of the downhill terrain at Grouse Mountain. Safety while skiing and boarding are key issues that will be discussed during this session and during student's lessons. However, skiing and snowboarding are sports that can potentially cause injury to participants.

Sponsor teachers will be in constant contact with mountain staff to respond to any injuries or First Aid issues that may arise. Every effort will be made to contact parents in these cases; however, if contact cannot be decided on the mode of transportation and the destination of the injured student will be made by a sponsor teacher in consultation with the mountain's first aid attendant.

During free time, all ski and snowboard club participants must be with at least one other member of the club. No person can ski/snowboard alone. It is the responsibility of the students to ensure they are skiing/snowboarding under control, and on terrain that matches their ability level. No club member is to ski or snowboard in areas marked "out of bounds." Helmets are included in program costs for all participants and are mandatory for all students.

Ski clothing and meals are not included in program costs.

All students must be prepared to leave the mountain by reporting to the bus by 8:45pm. Any student who delays the departure of the bus may be charged for additional costs levied by *Charter Bus Lines*.

Failure to abide by school and mountain rules, or cooperate with mountain and school staff may mean a loss of ski/snowboard privileges and fees.