

Hi Everyone,

Please read all of this message, even if you have been with ski club in past years. Thank you!

2020 Ski Dates!

The first day of ski club is Sunday, January 5th and the last day is February 23rd.

Ski Passes

Sunday Passes will be handed out on the first day. Mrs. Chapman will hand out passes in the CLUB ROOM of the Central Building. Returning students can show new comers where to go. It is labeled Club Room.

If you need your picture taken, a chaperone will take new skiers to get your picture taken for your pass. Wait patiently in the club room for the chaperone to help you.

Your pass needs to be with you and properly displayed any time you are on the mountain. If you should lose your pass there is a \$15 replacement fee. I highly recommend leaving it on your ski jacket all the time! (You may think you will remember to put it back on every Sunday, but you will forget, guaranteed.)

Get your gear ready to go

Remember that helmets are mandatory so make sure yours fits properly. Helmet rentals are costly, purchasing your own helmet is a great investment, most are adjustable to grow with your child for several years, and a good one is generally in the \$40 price range. Make sure you are ready for any kind of weather. We have had freezing cold temperatures, rainy drizzle and sunny warm ski days. Each type of day requires different gear. Thick mittens, light gloves, waterproof pants, goggles, sunblock and extra socks are always a good idea. When you are prepared, skiing can be fun in all types of weather.

Pickup and Drop off

The bus will leave the Big Lots parking lot, Delaware and Linden, at 8:30 AM and then proceed to the southtowns pickup located at Home Depot parking lot, on Ridge Road. We will leave there at 8:45. We will leave Kissing Bridge at 2:00, drop off at the Home Depot is 3:30 and be at the Big Lots parking lot by 3:50. Please do not be late. Please arrive 20 minutes prior to allow for loading gear and checking on to the bus.

Parents please do not drop and dash. If for some reason a bus doesn't arrive or experiences mechanical difficulty the students will have a long wait in a cold parking lot. Chaperones can use help loading gear and kids in an organized fashion to speed up the departure process. In the same vein please do not be late picking the children. IF for some reason you are unable to pick up your child contact Mrs. Chapman. 716-830-4586. If your child will not be returning home on the bus from KB or plans to get off on a different location, please email, text or give a written note to Mrs. Chapman or the chaperone checking-in riders.

Boarding and Checking in

You may not board a bus until there is a chaperone on the bus. When you board the bus you will give the chaperone your name to be checked in.

Once you are checked in on the bus you **MUST STAY ON THE BUS.**

Rentals

If you are renting equipment from Kissing Bridge you will get a separate rental pass. On the first day a chaperone will go with you to the rental area to get fitted for equipment for the season. All of this information is recorded on your rental card. The next time you will only need to show your card to get your gear.

New Skiers and Snowboarders

We want every skier/snowboarder to have a great time on their first outing! The best way to enjoy the sport is to learn quickly and safely from a professional instructor. Your pass includes 6 free lessons from the excellent staff at Kissing Bridge ski school. All

new skier and snowboarders are required to attend lessons for at least three weeks. Chaperones will be assigned to the new members to help orient them to the rentals, orient them to the facilities, and to escort them to the ski school.

Bus Etiquette

Please remember there will be a wide range of ages on the bus. There will be a zero tolerance for foul language and inappropriate behavior. Please be considerate of the bus driver that is trying to concentrate on driving winding roads and keep the bus clean. There is not a cleaning service, all seats and the floor are expected to be left the way the bus was delivered to us.

Thanks everyone. Looking forward to a great ski season!

Maureen Chapman