

DOWNHILL SKIING 2010

PROGRAM: Cannon Mountain Ski School believes that the time spent on the mountain is some of the most enjoyable time the children will have during the winter in New Hampshire, with safety being the main concern. They teach using the American Teaching System, which emphasizes having fun on the mountain. Lafayette Regional School delivers the students to Cannon Mountain and Cannon Mountain Ski School is responsible for coordination of instruction.

DATES: Six (6) weeks; each Friday beginning January 8th
January 8, 15, 22, 31 and February 5, 12
Cancellations will be rescheduled, if possible.

COST: The estimated cost is expected to be \$50.00 if you use your own equipment and \$96.00 if you rent equipment from Cannon Mountain. As soon as exact costs are provided to us, they will be posted in the newsletter. A cup of hot chocolate is included in the cost for each day of the program. If you decide to rent equipment elsewhere, it will be your responsibility to set this up. Lift tickets will be issued to the school on the day of the program.

TRANSPORTATION: All children, grades 1-6, will leave Lafayette Regional School at 11:00 a.m. on the bus. Kindergarten students (accompanied by an adult) will meet us at Cannon by 11:20 a.m. The bus will leave the ski area at 2:10 p.m. in order to meet the busses at the elementary school for the return trip home at the usual time. Time will be allowed for children to enter the school building to collect their belongings to take home. For parents who transport their children from the ski area, Lafayette Regional School will be open until 4:00 p.m. to allow them time to pick up their belongings. You will need to complete the attached "Transportation Permission Form" stating that you will be responsible for transporting your child after ski lessons.

SET UP: Classes will meet at the Ski School Meeting area at 11:30 a.m. and will be approximately two hours in length, followed by free skiing *with their chaperones* until 2:00 p.m.

SKIING ABILITY: Students will be placed in groups based on age and ability. Children may be re-grouped at the instructor's discretion.

- A. Never skied before
- B. Skied before but only on the pony slope.
- C. Confident Cannon chair lift rider and skis GREEN trails.
- D. Confident Cannon chair lift rider and skis BLUE trails.
- E. Confident Cannon chair lift rider and skis BLACK trails.
- F. Franconia Ski Club

SEASON TICKET HOLDERS: All chaperones helping with the Downhill Program that have a season pass at Cannon Mountain are asked to use their passes at each lesson. This allows us more chaperones on the mountain to make it safer for our students.

CLOTHING: Warm clothes are a must. Please make sure your child has the appropriate clothing (jacket, snow pants, heavy socks, helmet, mittens, scarves, etc.). **Helmets are required.** Extra hats, gloves, and socks are a great idea, too. Your child will not have fun if he/she is cold or wet.

PROPER EQUIPMENT: Even the best teaching program will fail if students are on poor equipment. Please have your child's equipment checked in a ski shop before they ski. Students with unsafe equipment ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE TRAILS.

RENTALS: If your child is renting, they will be fitted at school by the Cannon Mountain Ski Rental Shop on a date to be determined or you may rent from another location, such as the Franconia Sport Shop. If you decide to rent from a location other than Cannon Mountain, it will be your responsibility to have your child fitted for the proper equipment.

A representative from Cannon Mountain will be at the school in early December to fit the children for rental equipment. The date/time will be included in the newsletter as soon as it is determined.

SKIS AND POLES: May NOT be taken on the bus to school in the morning. Please arrange to drop off equipment at the school truck, which will be parked in the school parking lot on Friday morning **no later than 9:30 a.m.** The school will transport equipment to the mountain at 9:30 a.m.

PLEASE TAKE CARE TO MARK SKIS AND POLES WITH STUDENT'S NAME AND GRADE CAREFULLY. FIRMLY SECURE POLES AND SKIS TOGETHER.

After the lesson, the children who return on the 2:10 p.m. bus will have to secure their equipment and bring it to the bus. Equipment will be transported to Lafayette Regional School. Parents are responsible for picking up equipment after each ski day.

WINTER OUTDOOR PROGRAM RELEASE & REGISTRATION 2010

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I give my child, _____, Grade _____, permission to participate in the 2010 Winter Program sponsored by Lafayette Regional School, scheduled during January and February of 2010. I realize that I take full responsibility for this decision, will purchase any insurance that I feel is necessary (Student Accident Insurance is available), and will not hold the school district or its personnel responsible for accidents or injuries resulting from participation in this program.

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LESSONS/EQUIPMENT COSTS (*estimated costs @ 10/1/09*)

- _____ Will use my own equipment/\$50.00 (lessons)
- _____ Will rent from Cannon Mountain/\$96.00 (\$50 for lessons/\$46 for rentals)

PAYMENT: Please make checks payable to Lafayette Regional School

DUE DATE: This Release/Registration Form, along with your check, must be completed for all participants and provided to Joyce Evans by **October 15, 2009**.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date** _____

TRANSPORTATION PERMISSION

If your child is participating in the Cannon Mountain Ski Program, please complete the following statement by checking the appropriate item and/or filling in the blanks.

Unless I send a note to school ***before the morning of the program*** stating a change in plans, my child is:

_____ to be transported back to Lafayette Regional School from ski lessons on the bus

_____ to be transported back from lessons by me. I, therefore, give permission for my child to ski at Cannon Mountain after the program. (An adult supervisor should be with your child when the program ends.)

_____ to be transported back from lessons by _____.

Student's Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____