

Eden Ski Club 2005-6 Information Handout

Introduction

It is time to begin planning the Eden Ski Club for this school year. We have had a successful club in the past and are looking forward to another great year of skiing at Holiday Valley. Depending on the number of students participating we will travel via a 47 or 55 passenger highway coach to Ellicotville, NY. Last year we had over 80 students involved.

The ski club will run six Thursday evenings during the season. The bus will leave at approximately 3:00 p.m. and to make this happen students will be released from their last period class at 2:30p.m. We will leave Ellicotville at 10:00 p.m. so that we will return to Eden High School by 11:45 p.m. If the need arises, there may also be a drop off at the Wendy's/Tim Horton's at Glendale and the Q.E.W. for students from the N.O.T.L. area and Prudhomme's for students who live towards Vineland.

It is imperative that rides be there on time to pick up skiers.

Registration

After our initial meeting, registration will be on a first come, first served basis. If there are enough students a second bus may be used.

To guarantee a spot on the bus, three things are required:

- 1) a completed **Eden Ski Club Permission Form**,
- 2) a cheque payable to Eden High School for the amount specified on the **Money Check List**, and
- 3) a **Holiday Valley Registration Form**. (If the student is renting equipment from Holiday Valley an additional form will be filled in later.)

Tickets

The ticket that is usually purchased is called the Pick-a-night ticket. In addition to the trips the school takes, this ticket allows a student to ski any other Thursday that we do not go. Students must go to customer service office, and show photo identification to receive their ticket. It would also help to bring the receipt. This receipt, can also be redeemed for one bonus day of skiing any day in March or April.

A White Card can also be purchased which entitles a student to go skiing nine (9) times during the season on ANY day. They would then use 6 of these trips with the school and the additional three (3) at the student's leisure.

Please Note: The additional trip options are not monitored by the Eden Ski Club and therefore actions and insurance during these trips are the sole responsibility of the student and/or their family.

The sale of this seat is NOT TRANSFERABLE. If a student is going to miss one week they are NOT able to resell their ticket to someone else. No refunds will be given. We need to ensure that there is enough money for the buses and, therefore, we need a financial commitment.

The only reason a refund will be given is for a medical condition or injury that prohibits a student from participating. A letter requesting a refund and doctor's note are required by Holiday Valley. It is given on a prorated basis depending on what point in the ski season the request is made. We can deliver this information to Holiday Valley, but they will send you a response directly.

If a student does not get a place on the regular bus, tickets may be available for single trips. The cost will be \$20 per ticket (these are given to us at a group price.) and \$20 for a place on the bus. Rental equipment would also be extra.

When the number of participants and buses are finalized, students will be asked to sign up for a specific bus, which they will ride on each trip.

Skier Conduct Agreement

Students and parents should be aware that any trip organized or associated with the school but that runs outside of regular hours is still under the liability and authority of regular school procedures.

Before any students' position is secured, the organizing staff and school administration will determine whether a student will be allowed to participate. Time will be missed from classes, and there will be some late nights.

If a student does not meet the academic or behaviour expectations of Eden High School as outlined in the Student Handbook, they will NOT be admitted into the club.

This also holds true for infractions that may occur during the season. If school administration deems that a student should be not be allowed to participate they will be refunded their bus money and asked to stay at school. (ie. Study Hall responsibilities, outstanding detentions or assignments)

When using lift tickets, all policies of the ticket will be adhered to. Holiday Valley Staff or Eden chaperones may revoke a ticket for failure to comply. Students will not be reimbursed in such cases.

Be sure to read the "Responsibilities of Skiers and Acknowledgement of Risk" on the back side of the Holiday Valley Registration Form (pink), and sign to indicate your compliance.

The following is a list of other expectations:

1. **Helmets are MANDATORY for ALL skiers and snowboarders.**
2. All students will have proper identification to cross the border which includes some form of Photo Identification. With the increase in security enforcement at the borders, we recommend that students obtain Passports. Driver's License or Birth Certificates accompanied by Student I.D. card are other options. A student without these **WILL NOT BE** permitted on the bus.
3. Students are expected to be at school each Friday for chapel and Bible programs following a ski trip.
4. No alcohol or drugs will be consumed during the trip.
5. Students must be loaded on the bus and ready to leave by the school 3:00 p.m. Parents may be called to pick up a student from school who has missed the bus. Students must also be ready to leave Holiday Valley at 10:00 p.m. or will not be allowed to go on further trips.
6. Students that have purchased tickets will **NOT BE** allowed to use transportation other than the designated busses when the school is going.
7. Appropriate, courteous behaviour is expected on the bus and at Holiday Valley.
8. Any injuries that occur during the trip need to be reported to the staff advisors immediately.
9. Videos to be viewed on the bus will not exceed a rating of PG and are shown at the discretion of the Staff Advisor.
10. Every skier and snowboarder, must be tested by a certified instructor at Holiday Valley to verify their skiing ability.

Educational activity programs, such as skiing/snowboarding are high risk sports and may result in injury. The following list includes, but is not limited to, examples of the types of injury which may result from participation in skiing/snowboarding.

Broken arms, Broken Legs, and Head Injuries

The risk of sustaining these types of injuries result from the nature of the activity and can occur without any fault of either the student, or the school board, its's employees' agents or the facility where the activity is taking place. By choosing to take part in this activity, you are accepting the risk that you/your child may be injured.

If there are any questions or concerns about these policies, please contact Stephen Thompson at Eden High School by phone (646-9884) or email (askmrt@yahoo.com).