



WELCOME! Thank you for registering for the Snowrider Program. We want everyone to have an enjoyable time so please take a moment and read through this important information. We've had a great turnout! As of today, the bus is packed full (57 riders!!).

Extra Riders We have only a few seats available for "a la carte" riders. If someone you know is interested in riding the bus, they must pre-register at SWPRD by the Wednesday prior to travel at www.swparks.org. A la carte riders must be at least 13 years old (unless they're accompanied by a parent) and experienced on the mountain. The cost is \$45 per trip plus tax. You can register online or using the a la carte form.

Yes, your seat is transferable (How awesome is that?!) If someone else will be taking your seat on the bus, that person must have an a la carte form (attached) in order to ride the bus, this form is their ticket on the bus. They also must be 13+ years old.

Communication If you have not already, **please provide an email address**, as this is the best way to let you know about updates and information on the program. **It's also important that you check your email prior to trips for any updates or cancellations.**

New: Adults can ride too! We are allowing a few adults on the bus on Saturdays now, so you can come up and see what the fun is all about!

Theme Days! We're trying something new – weekly theme days, with prizes and extra points for creativity. We hope you'll join in the fun.

- Jan. 5 Snow Luau: Hawaiian print etc. No leis or grass skirts on the lifts.
- Jan. 12 Ugly Sweater Day: You know what I'm talking about.
- Jan. 19 Backwards, Inside Out, Upside Down, Mismatch Day
- Jan. 26 Awesome Helmet & Hat Day: Extra points for handmade creations!
- Feb. 2 Cowboy Up: Country Western Day
- Feb. 9 Retro Ski Bum Day: Dust off those day-glow snowsuits!
- Feb. 16 Color Challenge: Coupeville-Red/Black; South Whidbey-Blue/White; Off-Island-Green
- Feb. 23 Pizza Party: SnowRiders are encouraged to bring \$5 to contribute to the pizza party if they can.



When The ski bus starts Saturday, January 5th, and runs through February 23rd. We cannot guarantee 8 consecutive weeks, but we do guarantee to provide services within normal ski season January – March.

Participation This program is available to adults and youth, ages 10-17. Participants must be self sufficient, able to care for themselves and carry their equipment to and from the bus. We recommend that younger kids sign up with a friend, and require 12 and under and beginners to take lessons. Remind your child that the chaperones are there to help, if they have any problems or questions just ask any chaperone or Clancy's Ski School employee.

Bus Schedule

- 5:20AM** _____ **Departs Coupeville** The Park & Ride at the SW corner of the intersection of Hwy 525/Hwy 20/Wannamaker Rd./Race Rd.
- 6:15 AM** _____ **Departs South Whidbey** at Ken's Korner parking lot
- 6:30 AM _____ **Ferry departs Clinton**
- 7:00 AM** _____ **Departs Everett** Eastmont Park & Ride 9029 El Capitan Way, Everett
- 9:00AM – 4:00PM _____ **Snow Play!!!**
- 4:30 PM** _____ **Departs Stevens Pass Promptly!** Or at time chaperone states.
- 6:30PM _____ **Ferry departs Mukilteo** This is the ferry we *attempt* to catch, traffic may prevent this.
- 6:50 PM _____ **Arrives South Whidbey** Approximate time.
- 7:30 PM _____ **Arrives Coupeville** Approximate time.

Please be at the buses at least 15 minutes prior to departures. **Participants will be responsible to be on time when the bus leaves the mountain. If for some reason they miss the bus, they'll need to contact CLANCY'S SKI SCHOOL for directions. Or call Carrie at 360-914-0768. Parents will then be contacted to arrange pickup.

Cancellations The bus will only be canceled if the Pass is closed or if the mountain is deemed unsafe. If this happens you will be contacted by your chaperone or will be told at pickup point. You can check the highway report at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/passes/stevens>

Lift Tickets You will purchase tickets on the bus. You must bring a check payable to **STEVENS PASS** for the exact amount of the ticket, we cannot accept cash. Daily ticket prices are \$25 for ages 7-15; and \$45 for ages 16-69. **This includes a \$20 discount group rate and sales tax if tickets are purchased on the bus.** If they purchase at the Stevens Pass ticket window they will not get the discount rate!

Ski School The Snowrider program will be using **CLANCY'S SKI SCHOOL** for our lessons. Clancy's is located in the Pacific Crest Lodge. If you have any specific questions for the ski school, you can reach them at 425-348-3622 or www.clanc.com. **We require that beginners and participants 12 and under** take instruction. Clancy's offers six weeks of lessons, from January 5 – February 9. If you are taking lessons, you will be told on the bus what your class number is, it will also be posted at the lodge. Your instructor will have a sign with a number on it at the Pacific Crest Lodge at 9:45am.

Equipment & Clothing Please mark all your gear. If you lose something contact your chaperone. **Snowboards MUST have leashes on them.** Participants are responsible for their own gear and any electronics or clothing brought on the bus. Each participant must have up to date equipment including, boots, skis or snowboard, poles, ski break device, or leashes, and bindings, which have been specifically adjusted to fit the skiers or boarders boots. All equipment must be in good working condition and checked by a ski shop tech before program starts. Warm ski gear and goggles are a must! For safety reasons we highly recommend ALL participants wear helmets. Participants should have a ski parka, ski pants, top and bottom thermal underwear, warm shirt, sweater, hat, warm socks, and ski gloves. We recommend that youth bring an old backpack with their lunch and extra clothing or rain gear.

Stow Your Stuff There is no access to the bus during the day; you will need to carry everything you need with you to the mountain & use a locker.

Chaperones/Hosts Our chaperones on the bus this year are Jon Gabelein, Kevin Lungren, Barb Higbee, Ben Thomas & Kristen Tully, with a few alternates filling in. If your child has a problem or question, they can contact a chaperone throughout the day. The best way to get help quickly is to check in with a Clancy Ski School employee if they need help. Clancy's Ski School is Chaperones check in at Ski Patrol and/or Clancy's regularly, and one can often be found upstairs in Granite Peaks Lodge (the middle lodge).

Video Entertainment Buses are DVD, VCR & CD equipped. Participants are welcome to bring **PG** movies to watch on the bus.

Late Bus If the buses are running late, you will be contacted by one of our chaperones or be met at the bus stop.

Youth: Alternate Travel Arrangements If your child's travel arrangements are altered in any way from those listed as the pickup and drop off locations given to us, they **MUST** have a note signed and dated from their parent, with details on alternate arrangements, including a name of who will pick them up and your phone number. This includes being dropped off at Mukilteo or staying at Stevens' Pass with a parent or friend. Parents must accept full responsibility for any alternate arrangements.

Youth: Custodial Concerns Please notify us, and provide documentation, if there are any custodial concerns for your child, or if there is someone who is specifically prohibited from picking up your child. We do not typically check ID's of the folks picking up kids, so communicating clearly with the office and your day-of chaperones will help ensure the safety of your child. Part of signing up for Snowrider is acknowledging that your child is independent and responsible enough to make good decisions and look out for themselves on the mountain.

Photos Throughout the season we may take photos of the participants for our website or press release. If you do not want you or your child's photo published please let us know. We encourage the participants to share their photos, if you have any fun photos of the Snowrider program that you would like to share please email them to programs@whidbey.com.

Rules **Please take the time to read and fully understand the rules on the following page.**

Emergencies Parents/guardians/emergency contacts will be contacted immediately in the event of an emergency. Make sure to provide an emergency number where someone can be reached. In the event of an injury where a participant cannot be transported by other means, you may be required to pick up your child at the mountain.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me by email programs@whidbey.com, my office (360)221-6788, or call me on my work cell **(emergencies only) at (360)914-0768**. This letter will be posted on our website after the program starts.

- South Whidbey Parks & Recreation District: www.swparks.org
 - Stevens Pass: www.stevenspass.com
 - Clancy's Ski School: www.clanc.com
 - Weather: www.atmos.washington.edu/data/zone_report.KSEW.html
- Great deals on gear: www.backcountry.com , www.sierratradingpost.com/ , www.campmor.com , www.grosno.com

We look forward to another great season!

Sincerely,
Carrie Monforte
Program Coordinator, South Whidbey Parks & Recreation District

RULES

Please make sure your child reads and understands the rules for the Snowrider program.

We expect to have an excellent year together! For the safety and enjoyment of everyone, there are some rules & expectations that participants must obey. Please remember that any misconduct deemed serious enough by the coordinator or head chaperone could result in expulsion from the Snowrider Program without refund, as well as the District's disciplinary procedures.

- We have a Zero Tolerance policy for alcohol, tobacco, drug use & inappropriate behavior on the bus.

On the Bus:

- Please be sensitive to the serious job the bus driver and chaperones have in making your trip as safe as possible. Without these chaperones and drivers, this program would not be possible. ***ALWAYS SHOW RESPECT TO THE DRIVER, CHAPERONES AND FELLOW PASSENGERS.***
- You are not allowed to return to or ENTER the bus while at the Pass until 15 minutes before the announced return time and there is a chaperone present.
- Please keep the bus clean. Clean-up groups will be formed by chaperones.
- For safety reasons, glass containers will not be allowed on the bus.
- Please remain on the bus while the driver installs or removes chains.
- No lighters or matches on the bus.
- Please remain seated and reasonably quiet while bus is moving.
- Bus windows are never to be opened at any time.
- Please keep all windows clear, do not obstruct with gear, signs or your body.
- To prevent expensive damage, please keep off seat backs and avoid placing or leaning equipment on the seats or against bus.
- Please keep your skis and poles fastened together when loading.

On the Ferry:

- The ferry is a public environment. Please do not infringe on the rights of the general public with excessive noise or movement. i.e. running, yelling or climbing across furniture. WSF can *and will* limit our access to the upstairs.

At Lessons:

- Skiers and boarders are to attend all 6 lessons. They need to be mindful of time and not be late. Morning classes leave the meeting area at 10am, afternoon classes leave at 1pm. Plan on showing up at the lesson meeting place 10 minutes early.

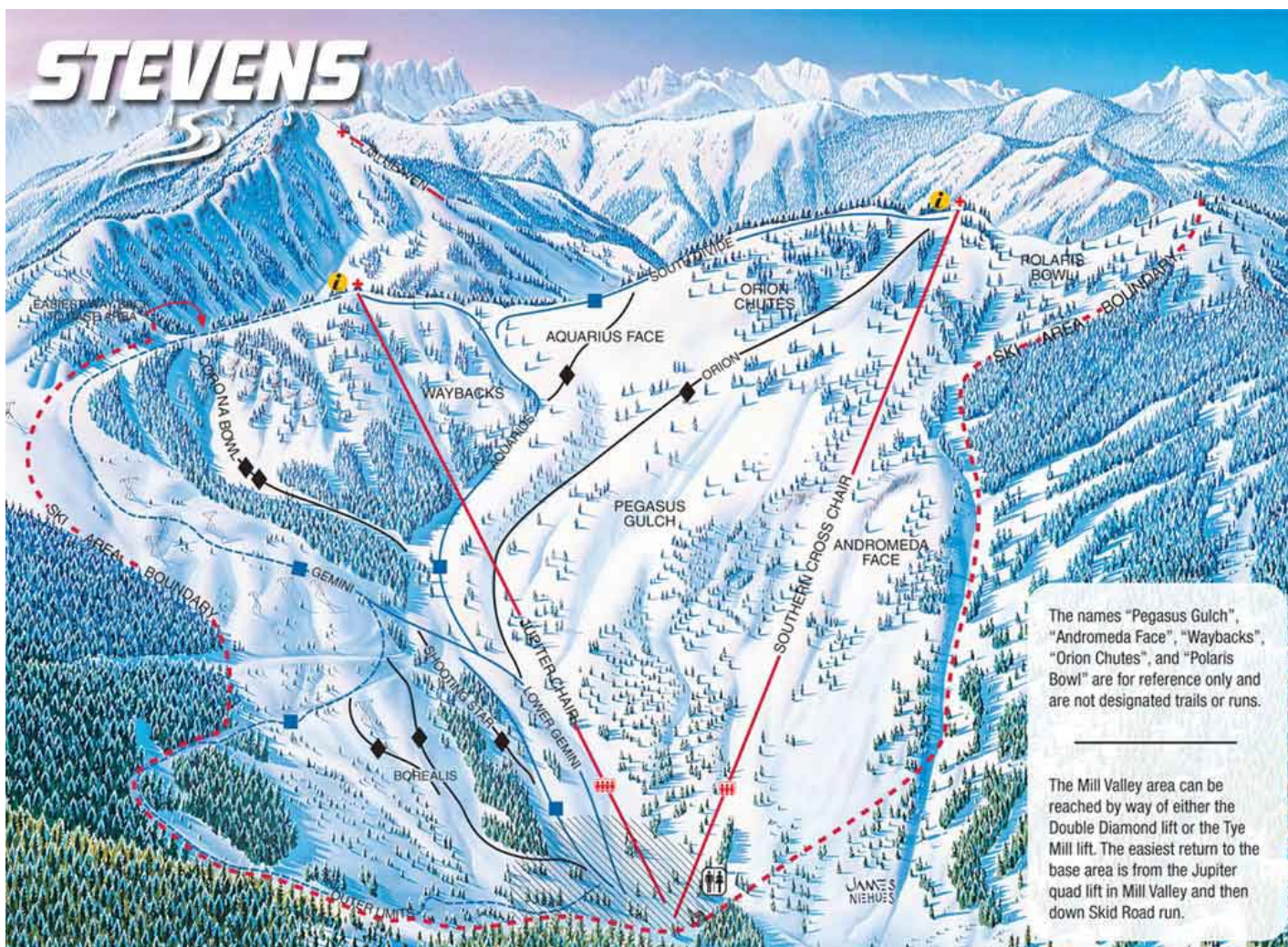
On the Mountain:

- Be aware that there is a minimum \$1000 fine for rescue attempts in out-of-bounds areas, that you will be responsible for. This includes anything beyond the orange posted signs stating ski area boundary.

Snow Rider Responsibility Code- KNOW THE CODE, IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Regardless of whether you ski or snowboard, always show courtesy to others and be aware that there are elements of risk that can be reduced with common sense and personal awareness.

- Ski/ride under control and in such a manner that you can stop and avoid other people and objects.
- When skiing or riding and overtaking another person, avoid the people below you.
- Do not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.
- When entering a trail or starting downhill, yield to other skiers and snowboarders.
- All skiers and snowboarders shall use devices to help prevent runaway skis and boards.
- Stay off closed trails and posted areas and observe all posted signs.
- Prior to using any lift, you must have knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.



A la Carte SnowRiders

A la carte riders MUST have this form completed in order to get on the bus. A la carte riders must be at least 13 years old and an experienced skier or snowboarder.

DEPARTURE TIMES

You MUST arrive 15 minutes before the departure time listed below!
5:20am Coupeville (Hwy 525 & Hwy 20)
6:15am Clinton (Ken's Corner by Les Schwab)
7:00am Everett (Eastmont Park & Ride)

RETURN TIMES

4:15pm Departs Stevens Pass
5:45pm Everett
7:00pm Kens Corner
7:30pm Coupeville

LIFT TICKETS

You'll receive our group discount if purchased on the bus. You must have check for exact amount, payable to Stevens Pass. Prices include tax.

Ages 7-15 \$25.00
Ages 16-69 \$45.00
Ages 70+ \$15.00

LESSONS & RENTALS & MOUNTAIN INFO

For information call Stevens Pass at (206)812-4510 or visit www.stevenspass.com

REMEMBER

In case of emergency or missed bus, check in with Clancy's Ski School. Please be sensitive to the serious job the driver & chaperones have making your trip safe. ALWAYS SHOW RESPECT TO DRIVER, CHAPERONES & FELLOW RIDERS!

SNOWRIDER A LA CARTE RIDER FORM

Cost: \$48.91 per trip includes tax (Lift tickets are extra)

SW Parks & Rec. (360)221-5484 FAX (360)221-7323 www.swparks.org programs@whidbey.com

☐ I would like to go on- DATE(S): _____ ☐ I am taking someone's seat- NAME: _____

NAME _____ M/F _____ AGE _____ DOB _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ DAY PH _____ EVE PH _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN(S) (minors only) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (other than parent) _____ PHONE _____

PICKUP: ☐ Coupeville ☐ Clinton ☐ Everett SKI/BOARD LEVEL: ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☒ Advanced

LIST ANY HEALTH OR OTHER CONCERNS WE SHOULD BE AWARE OF _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I am aware that skiing and snowboarding are hazardous sports that include certain risks and danger, including the risk of serious injury. All dangers are recognized and accepted, whether they are marked or unmarked. The skier/snowboarder realizes that falls and collisions do occur and injuries may result, and therefore assumes the burden of skiing under control at all times. I accept my responsibility to ski/snowboard safely at all times, to abide by the Skier Responsibility Code, and to obey all posted behavior notices and any other ski area rules and policies. Any equipment I use while skiing/snowboarding, I use at my own risk. On behalf of both my child and myself as the parent of the child, I agree to RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS, AND INDEMNIFY South Whidbey Park and Recreation District, Clancy's Ski School, Inc. and Steven's Pass ski area and any of (their/its) employees, agents, contractors, subsidiaries, officers or owners from all claims for any injury or damage resulting from any cause, including negligence, which arises out of participation in or travel to and from Clancy's Ski School, Inc. This release is also binding as to any other persons, including all family members, heirs, and executors. I accept full responsibility for all medical expenses incurred as a result of the minor's participation in or travel to and from Clancy's Ski School, Inc. On behalf of my child and myself as the parent of the child I also agree to RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY Clancy's Ski School, Inc. and South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District from any claims brought by or on behalf of the minor. I understand that a trip can be cancelled due to weather conditions. SWPR will reschedule any cancelled trips at first available date. I am aware that refunds are only for programs that are cancelled by SWPR and not rescheduled. There are no refunds for individual cancellations. I understand that Clancy's Ski School, Inc. and South Whidbey Parks & Recreation District allows zero tolerance for inappropriate behavior, alcohol, tobacco and drug use. Both participant and parent/legal guardian signatures are required on youth registrations. I understand that in the event that the SnowRider bus is cancelled, no refunds will be given on purchases toward lift tickets or season passes. PARTICIPANT & PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR MINORS

Participant Signature _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date _____

Date _____

Rec'd by _____

Date _____

Amt _____

Method _____

Rct # _____