



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, and we're expecting a full bus again this year

"A LA CARTE" 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 Tuesday 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 will be taking your seat on the bus, that person **must** have a completed registration or A La Carte form in order to ride the bus, this form is their ticket on the bus. They also must be 13+ years old. SWPRD will not coordinate seat transfers.

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!

KEY DATES

- Jan. 4 First day of SnowRider!
- Jan. 18 Holiday Weekend
- Feb. 8 Last day of Clancy's & Olympic Lessons
- Feb. 15 Holiday Weekend.
- Feb. 22 Last day pizza party: SnowRiders are encouraged to bring \$5 to contribute to the pizza party if they can.



THE SEASON

The ski bus starts Saturday, January 4th, and runs through February 22nd. We cannot guarantee 8 consecutive weeks, but we do guarantee to provide services within normal ski season January – March.

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

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 or check in at First Aid. A la carte riders must be 13+.

BUS SCHEDULE

All times are approximate and dependent upon traffic, ferries, and punctuality of riders.

- 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 Clinton** at Ken's Korner parking lot, generally between the Bagel Bakery and Les Schwab
- 6:30 AM _____ **Ferry**
- 7:15 AM** _____ **Departs Everett** Eastmont Park & Ride 9029 El Capitan Way, Everett
- 7:45 AM** _____ **Departs Monroe** Parking lot at Grocery Outlet Bargain Market 405 Butler Ave. Do NOT leave your car there.
- 9:00 AM – 4:00PM _____ **Snow Play!!!**
- 4:30 PM** _____ **Departs Stevens Pass Promptly!** Or at time chaperone states.
- 5:30 PM _____ **Arrives Monroe** Approximate time.
- 6:00 PM _____ **Arrives Everett** Approximate time.
- 6:30 PM _____ **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 must 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 instructions. Or call Carrie at (206)910-1343. 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 **cash in the exact amount** of the ticket and purchase these on the bus. Daily ticket prices are \$29 for ages 7-15; and \$49 for ages 16-69. This includes a discount group rate and sales tax if tickets are purchased on the bus.

LESSONS

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 4 – February 8. 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, with a name and phone number. 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 for items during the day (no access to bus during the day). It is recommended that participants have dry clothing to change into for the trip home. Other items you may wish to bring include a watch and lunch or lunch money (enough for a long day!). Food and drink can be purchased at the day lodge.

THEFT

We are not liable for any damaged or stolen property. We unfortunately had valuable items and cash stolen on the bus last year. We highly recommend leaving unnecessary valuable items at home, and keeping cash and credit cards on your person. A money belt would be a useful item, and only cost around \$6. PLEASE REPORT SUSPECTED THEFT of equipment to chaperones immediately. We will notify the police and they will be invited onto the bus to handle the situation. This may cause a serious delay. Make sure that you mind your possessions so there is no accidental confusion.

SWANKY COACH

We've switched charter bus companies to Triangle Charters, and you can still expect a very nice restroom-equipped coach, DVD equipped. Participants are welcome to bring PG movies to watch on the bus.

STOW YOUR STUFF

There is no access to the bus during the day; you will need to carry everything you need for the day with you to the mountain & use a locker. Passengers will load and unload their own gear from the bus. Storage compartments will be labeled by bus stop. No boots in the overhead storage compartments please.

CHAPERONES

Our chaperones on the bus this year are Jon Gabelein, Kevin Lungren, Jerry Squire, and Sandy Gavac, 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. Chaperones check in regularly at Ski Patrol/First Aid, and one can often be found upstairs in Granite Peaks Lodge (the middle lodge) at lunch time.

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 TRAVELING 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.

ACCIDENTS, INJURIES AND EMERGENCIES

Parents/guardians/emergency contacts will be contacted 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.

LINKS

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,

COMMUNICATION

If you have not already, **please provide an email address**, as this is the best way for you to receive updates and information on the program. **It's also important that you check your email prior to trips for any updates or cancellations.** 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 cell (**emergencies only, please!**) at (206)910-1343. This letter will be posted on our website after the program starts.

RULES

Please take the time to read and fully understand the rules below. Every rider must provide a signed copy of the rules, acknowledging that they have read them and will abide by them.

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.

RULE #1: 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:

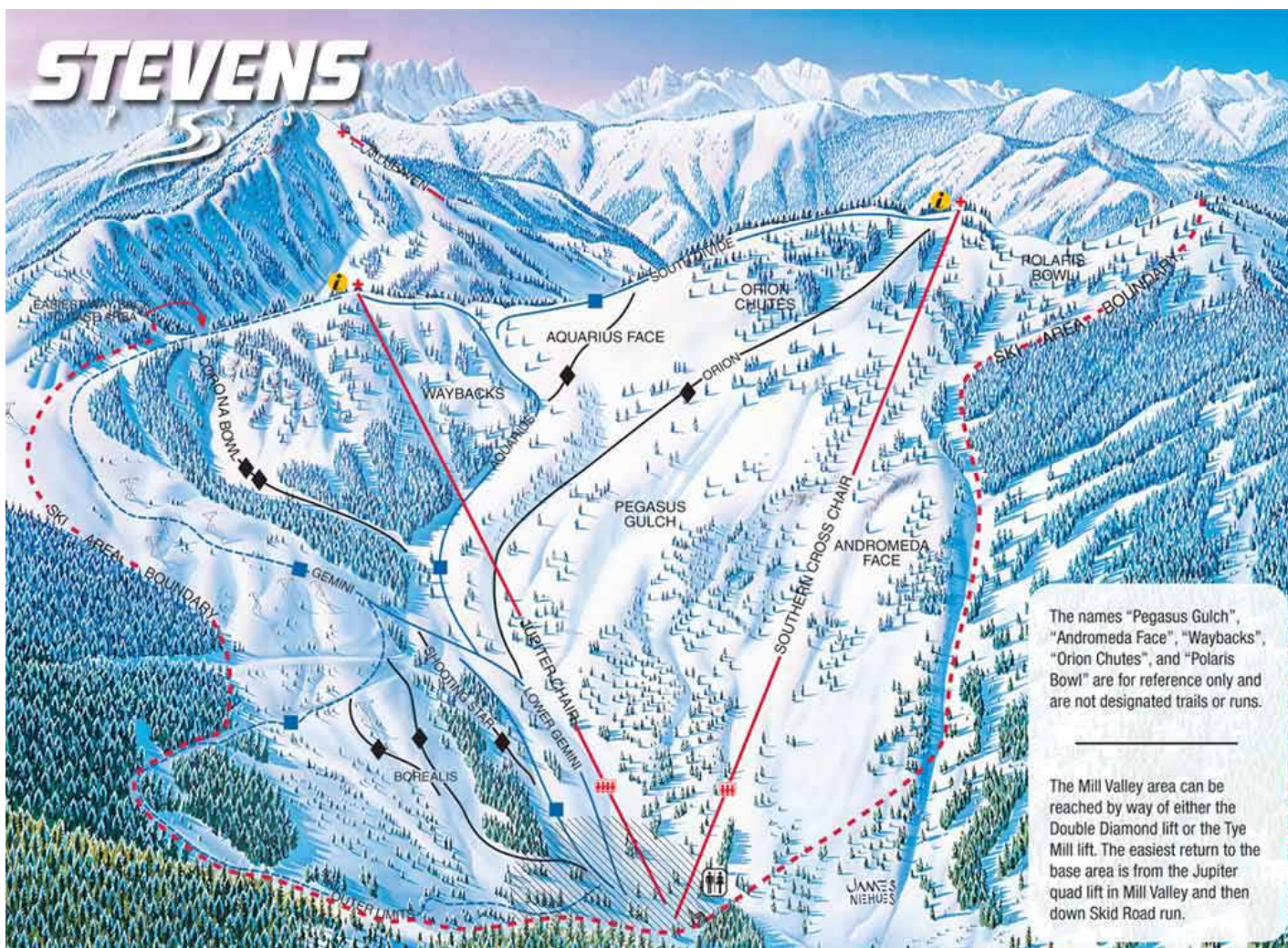
Skiers and boarders are to attend all 6 lessons. They need to be mindful of time and not be late. Morning classes leave the meeting area at 10am, afternoon classes leave at 1pm. Plan on showing up at the lesson meeting place 10 minutes early.

On the Mountain: KNOW THE CODE, IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

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. 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.

Skiing safely is everyone's responsibility!



Registration Form

Easy online registration at www.swparks.org!

Or, mail this form & a check payable to: SWPRD, 5475 Maxwellton Road, Langley, WA 98260.

RATES Minimum 35, Maximum 56

☐ Bus/ferry..... \$310* plus sales tax = \$336.97

☐ Lesson package.....\$124 includes sales tax*

☐ Bus only \$295* plus sales tax = \$320.67

☐ A la carte\$45 per trip plus tax = \$48.92*

Early registration rate. After Dec. 10 add \$54.35. Lift tickets are additional and will be purchased separately. Program minimums must be met or bus will be cancelled. In the event that the SnowRider bus is cancelled, no refunds will be given on purchases of lift tickets or passes.

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

AGE _____ BIRTHDATE _____ M/F _____ WILL YOU HAVE A SEASON LIFT PASS? ☐ YES ☐ NO

ADDRESS _____

CITY / ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ ALT/CELL PHONE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S) _____

ALTERNATE EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

HEALTH/MEDICAL Are there any health/medical/behavioral or other concerns we should be aware of? _____

YOUR PICK-UP LOCATION

- ☐ Oak Harbor (if we get enough interest)
☐ Coupeville
☐ Clinton
☐ Everett (if we get enough interest)

YOUR SPORT

- ☐ Ski
☐ Snowboard
☐ X-Country Ski
☐ Snowshoe

INDICATE YOUR SKILL LEVEL

SKI

- ☐ L1- Never skied.
☐ L2- Wedge turns on easiest green slopes, some turns.
☐ L3- Can wedge turn on all green slopes.
☐ L4- Wedge christy. Can bring skis parallel during turn.
☐ L5- Sometimes starts turns w/ skis parallel.
☐ L6- Intermediate skier. Parallel throughout turn.
☐ L7- Parallel turns. Can ski moguls on blue.
☐ L8- Carved parallel turns. Can ski most diamond runs.

SNOWBOARD

- ☐ L1- Never ridden.
☐ L2- Can use lift and ride easy (blue) runs.
☐ L3- Able to make turns both ways on green runs.
☐ L4- Can ride blue runs and intro to park.
☐ L5- Can ride black terrain and park.
☐ L6- Can handle all runs all conditions.
☐ P&P- Pipe & Park Preference (advanced)

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 Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

A LA CARTE RIDERS ONLY

(Opens after early registration deadline)

☐ Date(s) I want to ride: _____

☐ Total fee enclosed: \$ _____ or

I'm taking someone's prepaid seat (name): _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:	Method	Rec'd By	Date	Amount	Receipt #
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