

Hi Parents (students not required to attend)—  
Please plan to attend the

# TOPS Middle School SnowSports Program Informational Meeting

**Wednesday, November 3rd from 6:30-8pm in the TOPS Gym**

The goal of the meeting is to walk the parents through the registration process and have as many students as possible sign up and pay for the bus that evening.

**Please print off the 2011 registration forms from this document and bring them and your checkbook to this meeting.**

## Agenda (these times could be way off!)

6:30 – 6:40 Swap (Please bring your outgrown ski clothes and equipment to swap/donate/sell)

6:40 – 7:00ish Program Overview

7:00ish – 7:15 Don's fantastic SnowSports 101 Video esp. helpful for 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents

7:15ish Q and A

Close with more Sale/Swap while parents are handing in forms and checks to grade coordinators.

The Sale/Swap won't happen during the meeting. Students attending must listen to the meeting-no playing outside. Parents please make sure your student sits with you.

## Program Dates

**Friday January 7**

**Friday January 14**

**Friday January 21**

**Friday January 28**

The day between semesters when we ski **all day**. **NO EVENING LESSON!!**

**Friday February 4**

**Friday February 11**

All the TOPS forms will be updated on the TOPS website and, like last year, parents will be expected to print off their own forms and return them preferably at this informational meeting.

The lessons, rentals and pass applications are all on the website. They are doing a paperless registration process again this year. We will have a special password to get preseason rates. This password is NOT to be used for anyone other than TOPS students enrolled in our program.

Scholarship applications will be available at our informational meeting.  
Hope to see all of you at the meeting. **Think snow!!!**

## **Molly LaPatra**

TOPS Middle School Snow Sports Coordinator  
and mom of Tessa 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

## 2011 TOPS Middle School SnowSports Program Information

**Information Meeting for parents and participants**  
**-Wednesday, November 3 @ 6:30pm in the TOPS Lunchroom-**

**General** The program consists of five Friday evening trips and one Friday all day trip from TOPS to Summit Central @ Snoqualmie Pass and back to TOPS. We organize, collect the money, and pay for the buses only. Each skier deals directly with The Summit regarding lessons, equipment rentals and lift tickets via their website. [www.summitatsnoqualmie.com](http://www.summitatsnoqualmie.com) Any current student in good standing or previous student may participate in the TOPS SnowSports Program. Any current TOPS student must attend school the day of ski bus to participate in ski bus that day. The Mission Ridge Family Ski Trip is planned once again for February 24-27<sup>th</sup>—info will follow and please join us!

**Dates** We'll ski on Friday January 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday January 14<sup>th</sup>, Friday January 21<sup>st</sup>, Friday January 28<sup>th</sup> **ALL DAY** (because of Day Between Semesters Holiday), Friday February 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday February 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Lessons** Two-hour small group lessons (skiing OR snowboarding), with TOPS students only, are available for a discounted group rate of \$110. We strongly encourage students to enroll in this 5 lesson package. Learning makes the sport much more fun, and the lessons also add some structure to the evening. Register online by December 1, 2010 –if later it is on a space available basis with a \$25 late fee. There will be no lessons on the ALL DAY ski day January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Equipment Rentals** Equipment is available for rent from The Summit for \$119 + tax (\$129.23) through the Rental Season Pass Option and makes life easier if you are a beginner as you don't have to carry gear to school and to and from the bus. If you want to comparison shop, rentals are also available at REI, Seattle Ski & Snowboard Rentals (Aurora near N. 150<sup>th</sup>) and others.

**AN EQUIPMENT RESERVATION MUST BE MADE FOR EACH WEEK BY 1 PM ON THE DAY PRIOR TO LESSONS BY USING YOUR NAME AND CUSTOMER NUMBER AND VISITING [www.summitseasonrentals.com](http://www.summitseasonrentals.com) AND INDICATING DATE, TYPE OF EQUIPMENT AND SKI BASE AREA YOU WILL PICK UP AT.**

This is a critical step in the rental process and all 6 reservations can be made at once. Look under the Roadshow heading for info on location and take home gear.

**Tickets** Season passes and individual tickets are both available through The Summit. Season passes may be a good deal depending on the skier's age and the number of times he or she intends to go. Here is a rough comparison and all prices do not include sales tax.

<b>ADULT ages 19-61</b> (TOPS student discount)	<b>TEEN ages 13-18</b> (TOPS discount)	<b>YOUTH 7-12</b> (TOPS discount)
Big S unlimited plus n/a	n/a	n/a
Big S unlimited \$399	\$349 ( <b>\$289</b> )	\$279 ( <b>\$229</b> )
LTD no Alpentel wkend \$319	\$289 ( <b>\$249</b> )	\$239 ( <b>\$199</b> )
<b>*Night 4-10 pm</b> \$229 ( <b>\$209</b> )	\$239 ( <b>\$209</b> )	\$239 ( <b>\$209</b> )
DTL Daily \$39x5+ \$58= \$253	Considered adult	\$33 x 5 + \$39 = \$204

**\*This pass won't work for ALL DAY ski day Friday January 28, 2011.**

**Costs** \$175 for the 6 bus trips. See The Summit website for lessons, lift tickets, and equipment rental costs. There are a number of options and you pay The Summit Learning Center directly. They must have your **lesson registration by December 1, 2010 or they will charge a \$25 late fee.** This is a serious deadline as there is no guarantee that passes will be mailed if your forms are late and being late is a serious hassle for The Summit and our TOPS coordinators, not to mention it costs you \$25. No discounted lift passes sold after 12/15/09.

**Scholarships** We have a policy of making sure that everyone who wants to go can go, regardless of financial considerations, and we have been very successful at having adequate scholarship money available for that purpose, distributed confidentially. The typical award is ½ of the expenses but does depend on the situation and number of applications. Scholarship Forms and all of the other TOPS & Summit forms need to be filled in, signed, and handed to Patty in the TOPS office by Friday, **November 19, 2010.** **Scholarship students do not mail any forms to The Summit but return them all to the office.** Student must be currently enrolled at TOPS to be eligible.

**Forms** The following forms are found here at the end of this All-Info-Forms PDF or can be downloaded off the [TOPS website](#).

- [Bus Registration](#) –**print and bring to info meeting to sign up**
- [Emergency Medical Form](#) – **print and bring to info meeting to sign up**
- [Summit Electronic Registration Instructions](#)

**NOTE:** Equipment rentals, lessons and lift tickets all must be handled through the Snoqualmie Summit website. **TOPS only collects money for the bus.**

-[Scholarship Form](#) – See Molly LaPatra at the information meeting to get the other forms to fill out for a complete scholarship application. **Due Nov. 19, 2010**

**Roadshow** The Roadshow allows students to get photos taken for Big S and/or rental passes, and/or to be fit for rental pass and take home gear, prior to the first day of our program. Students must bring their program confirmation letters to be eligible for discounted pass pricing and take home gear.

Roadshow schedule: **Monday November 29, 2010, from 6:30-8:30pm at Eckstein MS in Seattle or Thursday December 2, 2010 from 6:30-8:30pm at Mill Creek MS in Kent.**

This is essential for your equipment fitting before the first lesson if you rent from The Summit. Take-Home Rentals for \$119 (+ tax) are available for TOPS students while supplies last.

### **Daily Schedule**

**Each Friday** the schedule is as follows:

7:50 a.m.	Bring equipment to school for secure storage off cafeteria
<b>1:50 p.m.</b>	<b>Skiers dismissed from class</b>
2:15 p.m.	Board buses, take roll, leave TOPS for The Summit
3:30 p.m.	Arrive at The Summit Central
5:00-7:00 p.m.	Lessons
7:00-9:00 p.m.	Free ski time. May buy or bring food. Chaperones available at TOPS table in lodge
9:15-9:30 p.m.	Board buses, take roll, leave The Summit for TOPS
10:30 p.m.	Arrive TOPS, clean buses (everyone helps!), dismissed

## Special All-Day Schedule

**Friday January 28<sup>th</sup>**, there is no school so we ski all day and DO NOT have our lessons. We will load the buses at 5pm and return to TOPS by 6:30 p.m.

### Here's the schedule for **January 28<sup>th</sup> only**:

9:00 a.m.	Arrive at TOPS with gear, load buses
9:30 a.m.	Leave for The Summit
10:30 a.m.	Arrive at The Summit Central
10:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Free ski time. May buy or bring food. Chaperones available at TOPS table in lodge
5:00-5:15 p.m.	Board buses, take roll, leave The Summit for TOPS
6:30 p.m.	Arrive TOPS, clean buses (everyone helps!), dismissed

**A parent note is required if a student will not be riding home on the bus or if a student is deviating from the given plan for any reason. Every week the buses can't leave until each student is accounted for.**

**Chaperones** We have parent volunteers on the buses, and at a TOPS table in the lodge. The kids will not be chaperoned on the slopes, however, so they'll have to be responsible for getting to the right place at the right time, feeding themselves, finding a chaperone at the TOPS table if they need one, and their own safety on the slopes. The chaperones will have the emergency medical forms with emergency contact information, but have no medical training. Chaperones get a free bus ride and lift ticket, but are expected to help watch the table and to be available to help all of the TOPS kids. In return for the lift ticket, the coordinators/chaperones must be present at the beginning and end of the lessons to assist students. Please let your class coordinator know if you're interested and indicate available dates on the bus registration form.

### Other Information

- Things not needed on the slopes can stay on the locked bus.
- Kids should **ALWAYS** ski with a buddy.
- Theft is a risk. There's a ski check for skis and boards and if you have nice gear esp snowboard you should do this. Keep hats, mittens, goggles, backpacks with you, at the TOPS table or checked in a locker.
- **PARENTS**-Please do not park in front of the school on Boylston at pickup and drop off. The buses need that space. **PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME TO PICK UP YOUR STUDENT.** Helping to unload the bottom bays of the bus is a huge help.
- **Ski clothing** (night skiing is **COLD**):
  - Parka, sweater or fleece, long underwear (no cotton!)
  - Ski pants or bibs, long underwear (no cotton!)
  - Helmet/hat, goggles, mittens or gloves (mittens are a lot warmer)
  - Helmets are highly recommended and can be rented at The Summit.
  - Don Zemke has some gear to lend so see him if you forget something, etc

## [Contacts/Volunteers](#)

### **Overall Coordination:**

Molly LaPatra [lapatra@comcast.net](mailto:lapatra@comcast.net)

### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep:**

Ellen Levi [elevi@comcast.net](mailto:elevi@comcast.net)

Michele Layton [michelelayton@windermere.com](mailto:michelelayton@windermere.com)

### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep:**

Joe Germani [joe@germani.com](mailto:joe@germani.com)

Michael Drew [mdrewsea@yahoo.com](mailto:mdrewsea@yahoo.com)

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep:**

Juan Perla [laperla3@gmail.com](mailto:laperla3@gmail.com)

Mark Brennan [benbran@comcast.net](mailto:benbran@comcast.net)

### **Faculty Liaison:**

Don Zemke [dwzemke@seattleschools.org](mailto:dwzemke@seattleschools.org)

### **Scholarship Coordinator:**

Molly LaPatra 789-7169 [lapatra@comcast.net](mailto:lapatra@comcast.net)

### **Check Depositor:**

TOPS Treasurer

### **Morning Ski Gear Helper in lunchroom:**

Jim McDonald [maggiemcd@msn.com](mailto:maggiemcd@msn.com)

### **Emergency Vehicle Drivers each week:**

Varies and free passes are provided

# TOPS Middle School SnowSports Program – 2011 Bus Registration Form

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rules:**

1. I'll follow TOPS rules for in-school behavior while I'm on the ski trips.
2. The chaperones are the bosses. I'll respect them and do what they say.
3. Seating on buses is assigned. I'll sit where I'm assigned. I can only go on the ski bus if I'm at school that day and I'm a student in good standing.
4. I will always ski/board with a buddy and never leave an injured student unattended.
5. I'll help clean the bus before getting off. If I'm late getting back to the bus at the end of the day, I'll clean the bus with help only from whoever else is late.

**I agree to follow the rules:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(student signature & date)

**Registered for lessons?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
**Buying a ski pass (DTL) each Friday?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
**Buying a season pass?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ **Which pass?** \_\_\_ No **Renting equipment from The Summit?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

**On the bus I would like to sit with:** 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (We'll do our best to accommodate)

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**Parent/Guardian's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

***I've gone over the rules with my student, and he or she understands them and has agreed to follow them:***

\_\_\_\_\_  
(parent signature & date)

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone numbers:** Work \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian available to chaperone on:**  
 1/7 \_\_\_ 1/14 \_\_\_ 1/21 \_\_\_ 1/28 all day \_\_\_ 2/4 \_\_\_ 2/11 \_\_\_  
 I would like a ski pass if available \_\_\_\_\_ I don't ski and will help in lodge \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian available to be Emergency Driver on:**  
 1/7 \_\_\_ 1/14 \_\_\_ 1/21 \_\_\_ 1/28 all day \_\_\_ 2/4 \_\_\_ 2/11 \_\_\_

**Payment:** Please make check payable to Friends of TOPS & note SnowSports in the memo

Bus cost	\$ 175
Scholarship donation + \$	_____
Total	\$

# TOPS Middle School SnowSports Program – 2011 Emergency Medical Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Names: \_\_\_\_\_

**I understand that there must be an emergency contact person available on Friday ski nights and the all-day ski day. The person to be contacted will be the parent/guardian unless the TOPS SnowSports program coordinator is contacted and given the name of an alternate emergency contact person.**

In case of emergency the TOPS SnowSports Program chaperone may contact me at:

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate emergency contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

If contact cannot be made, the TOPS SnowSports Program chaperone has my permission to seek emergency medical care for my child.

Medical Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscriber Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

A TOPS chaperone may give my child Tylenol as needed: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain any medical concerns that the chaperones should know about your child:

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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## TOPS Middle School SnowSports Program – 2011 Scholarship Form

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian's name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone numbers Work \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I have submitted documentation to the Seattle School District for the Free and  
 Reduced Lunch Program. (Yes or No)  
 Parent/Guardian's signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

The total cost for us is as follows:

Bus:	\$ _____ 140	
Lift Tickets:	\$ _____	season pass or DTL Daily (less \$) <i>please circle one</i>
Lessons:	\$ _____	skiing or boarding <i>please circle one</i>
Rentals:	\$ _____	skiing or boarding <i>please circle one</i>
<b>Total:</b>	\$ _____	<b>Please visit The Summit 12/5 for fitting</b>

I can pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of that amount.

The Scholarship Coordinator, Molly LaPatra, handles scholarships as confidentially as possible.

They are awarded on the basis of need (for example, eligibility for free or reduced lunches) and complete and timely applications. We typically offer scholarships of 50%. The scholarship awards depend on the contributions to the scholarship fund and the number of applications. We are strictly parent-funded and receive no financial help from the Site Council.

This application is due in the office by **November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009**. No late applications.

For questions please contact Molly LaPatra 789-7169 or [lapatra@comcast.net](mailto:lapatra@comcast.net)



## Rental Season Pass ROADSHOW

For Summit Learning Center Consecutive Week Lesson Participants

DO YOU NEED? Season Pass Picture  
DO YOU NEED? Rental Season Pass & Fitting

**PLEASE JOIN US:** Monday, Nov. 29th, 2010, 6:30pm – 8:30pm @ Eckstein MS-Seattle  
**OR** Thursday, December 2nd, 2010, 6:30pm – 8:30pm @ Mill Creek MS-Kent

### BIG S Season Pass

You will need:

- Student BIG S Season Pass Application
- PARENT/GUARDIAN present (for signature & payment purposes)
- A Big Smile for your STUDENT Season Pass photo (we will have cameras at the Roadshows)

### **Mandatory Rental Season Pass Fitting** even if pre-purchased online

You will need:

- PARENT/GUARDIAN present (for signature & payment purposes)
- STUDENT needs to be fit for Rental Gear (boots and board/skis, boots & poles)
- Simply reserve\*\* @ [www.summitseasonrentals.com](http://www.summitseasonrentals.com) by 1pm before each day you wish to use your equipment. Your gear will be waiting for you within the time window selected, at the base area of your choice, for you to pick up and return at the end of each day.

\$119+Tax (\$99+tax skis/boots age 4-6)

\*\*Rental reservations are only available after you are fitted for your equipment.

### **Nov 29<sup>th</sup> - Directions to Eckstein Middle School:** (3003 NE 75th Street, Seattle, WA 98115-4709)

- I-5 Northbound. Exit #171 for WA-522/Lake City Way toward Bothell. Slight RIGHT @ WA-522 East /Lake City Way NE. Slight RIGHT at NE 80<sup>th</sup> Street. Take first RIGHT onto 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. Turn LEFT onto NE 75<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn RIGHT onto 30<sup>th</sup> Ave NE.

### **Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> - Directions to Mill Creek Middle School:** (620 Central Ave N, Kent, WA 9032-4511)

- VIA Hwy 18: I-90 Eastbound. Exit 25 for WA-18 West toward Auburn/Tacoma. Drive about 16 miles (23 minutes). Take WA-516 /SE 272nd Street exit toward Covington. Turn RIGHT at WA-516 W/SE 272nd Street. Drive about 5.7 miles (11 minutes). Turn RIGHT at Central Ave N. School will be on your RIGHT.
- VIA Hwy 405: I-90 Eastbound. Exit 10 to 405 Southbound toward Renton. Take Exit 2A to WA-167 South toward Kent/Auburn. Drive about 5 miles (5 minutes). Take 84th Ave S/N Central Ave exit toward Kent City Center. Turn LEFT at 84th Ave S. Continue onto Central Ave N about 2 minutes. School will be on your LEFT.

**PAYMENT IN FULL is Required at the ROADSHOW**



## Greetings TOPS MIDDLE SCHOOL Snowsports Participants!

The Summit Learning Center is very excited to offer you a 'green' registration process for your student lesson registration and discounted season pass purchases.

Please use the login and password below to access online registration for both lessons and discounted participant Big S passes.

**Login:** **NOT AVAILABLE YET**

**Password:** **COMING SOON. This information will be emailed to you.**

LOGIN by visiting [www.summitatsnoqualmie.com/slc\\_sales/grplogin.aspx](http://www.summitatsnoqualmie.com/slc_sales/grplogin.aspx), **by Dec 1, 2010.**

Lesson registration after Dec 1, will be subject to availability and to a \$25 late registration fee. Lesson registration will close Dec 15. *Passes not available online after Dec 15, 2010.*

CHOOSE lessons and a Big S season pass from the list of options.

(Student passes are age appropriate. Discounts not available on the Big S Unlimited Gold pass.)

SIGN the online LIABILITY RELEASE.

*Be sure to have your parent or guardian on hand if you are under 18 years of age!*

SELECT a GUEST

*Been with us before? LOOK yourself up as an EXISTING GUEST.*

Partial entry of your first and last name will help the system find your existing account. Enter the first three letters of both your first and last name. For example, if your name is Alexandra Alpentel, enter Ale Alp into the first and last names boxes. The store will find all matches, and ask for verification to help avoid duplicating your information!

*New Guests will select the option to CREATE NEW GUEST.*

Whether new or returning, be certain to EDIT your personal information. Request lessons with another student, by entering that student's name in the 'LESSON COMMENTS AND PREFERENCES' field.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

If at any point you 'clear cart and start over' you will need to log back in to your program's account. Click on the 'Group Login' option in the lower right menu.

Please contact the Summit Learning Center with questions or concerns, 425.434.6700.

**Use it, don't abuse it!** The login and password are for the exclusive use of student participants of the TOPS MIDDLE SCHOOL Snowsports program. Please do your part to protect the privilege of this feature for both yourself and your program! **Do not share or distribute this access information.**

