

SSNO CLUB 2026

Dear Parents / Guardians,
October 15th, 2025.

Maple Creek is pleased to offer skiing and snowboarding to students in a club format this year. The following pages include information needed to become a part of the Cypress Mountain SSNO Club. For further information, it is best to please have the student contact Ms. Chen or another SSNO Club chaperone. If necessary, parents may email or call after reading the information package.

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What – Skiing and Snowboarding lessons and practice time with partners on runs

Where – Cypress Mountain

When – Jan. 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, 2026 (All Thursdays)

Time - We plan to leave the school at 11:24am and return to Maple Creek at approx. 8:00pm

Why – To have fun and improve your skiing and snowboarding skills.

Who – Students who complete and return the information package correctly on **October 22nd**, which includes the safety quiz and other paper information forms. (Collection will take place in front of the gym area before school starting at 8:00am, at Nut Break, during Lunch and afterschool until 3:30pm.) From the forms collected, 48 names will be randomly drawn and these families will receive a CashOnline opportunity to purchase by Friday, October 24th. Families have until Nov 3rd to secure their spot by paying on CashOnline. If spots remain on Nov 3rd, new students will begin to be drawn, and students/families will be contacted.

Cost

Bus, Lift, Lesson & Rental	Bus, Lift & Lesson (no rentals)	Bus, Rental & Lesson (Season's Pass holders)	Bus & Lesson only	Optional Dinner Voucher
\$482.00	\$396.00	\$428.00	\$342.00	\$68

*Lesson Only rates are only available for students with valid season passes and their own equipment.
*Amounts are for all four days and include transportation by chartered coach bus, and \$12 Club Fees to run the Club and purchase SSNO Club swag for students.
*Rentals include: skis, boots, poles and helmet or snowboard, boots and helmet.

Food Vouchers Option:

Cypress Mountain is offering optional dinner vouchers for \$17 per session x 4 sessions (\$68) which will include main meal, snack, beverage and sweet treat. The exact menu has not yet been determined by the mountain.

Safety

As the safety of the students is a top priority on these trips, a ski or snowboard helmet is mandatory, and students must wear them at all times while on the mountain. A helmet is included with the rentals should your child choose this option.

When students are finished in their lesson groups, they are free to ski and board within their ability level on the mountain with a partner. **It is the students' responsibility to be with a partner at all times. Students are asked to select a ski/snowboard partner at the same ability level.**

Lessons

As this is a school activity, all students, regardless of ability, must take the lessons. On the first mountain day, just before the first lesson, the Cypress Mountain instructors will divide students into groups according to ability.

Safety Video

Before heading up the mountain, students will be shown a safety video. As well, they are instructed not to go over large jumps, go out of bounds, go on runs beyond their ability, or try any dangerous tricks or stunts. Please reinforce these messages and go over safety info from the web.

The Alpine Responsibility Code at:

<https://www.cypressmountain.com/safety/mountain-safety>

Safety Video that will be shown to the group: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=phMMYF9JrCQ>

Rentals and Lessons at Mountain- arrival to 4:00pm:

Students will be given a safety briefing at the mountain. Students renting equipment need to get and put on their rental equipment. Once students have their equipment, they will head off to their meeting places for lessons. Students should ask instructors for suggestions about appropriate runs for their skill level.

Free time for dinner and ski / snowboard practice- 4:00 to 6:30pm:

Once the lessons are completed, students have 2 1/2 hours to have dinner (brought from home, food vouchers or purchased on the mountain with contactless payment- no cash accepted) and practice their skills with a partner.

All students must be with a partner when skiing or snowboarding during free time- no exceptions.

Students need a watch or cellphone to keep track of time.

Rental returns by 6:30pm and Meet in the Lodge at 6:45pm

Students will start returning rental gear before 6:30pm and be at the designated meeting place inside the main lodge by 6:45pm. **Students will return to the bus when instructed. Attendance will be taken on the bus at 7:00pm.**

Pick-up at approx. 8:00pm

Parents, please plan to be waiting at **Maple Creek Middle** to **pick up students by 8:00pm**. Many students use their cell phones to call parents on the bus ride home to give the most accurate arrival time. The buses will need the driveway clear, so please **do not park where you will block their progress**.

Dates, Cancellations, and Refunds

If Cypress Mountain cancels any ski sessions due to inclement weather conditions, we will attempt to reschedule the sessions. The policy of the Cypress Mountain School Program is that refunds are not available under any circumstances. If students miss sessions due to illness etc. 'Snowcheques' will be issued to these students at the end of the program. A 'Snowcheque' is a voucher that is good for one lift ticket and rental equipment (if paid for). If a student cancels for extenuating circumstances early enough, a partial refund may be possible.

Late Charges

If students are late returning to the bus, any charges from the bus company will be charged to the student's family. This charge is \$135 for any portion of an hour.

Getting Prepared

Mountain weather conditions often change quickly and are unpredictable. As a rule, please prepare for extreme winter weather conditions. Students should bring the following items:

Clothing:

- Warm head covering that will cover the ears and fit comfortably under a helmet
- A certified ski or snowboard helmet (if not renting one). Helmets from other sports may not be used.
- Ski goggles
- Warm and layered tops such as turtleneck t-shirt, sweatshirt or sweater, and a warm jacket
- Waterproof jacket or shell
- Sweatpants or long johns (jeans are not recommended)
- Waterproof ski pants
- Ski gloves or mitts
- A watch or other timepiece
- Warm socks
- Footwear suitable for a slushy wet parking lot
- An extra change of clothes in case you get wet

Snow and Information Line: For daily weather conditions, please visit the mountain report at <https://www.cypressmountain.com/downhill-conditions-and-cams>



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Student's name: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Snowboarding or Skiing? _____

Student's Division: _____ Sex: M / F

Parent Name, Phone Number and Email: _____



I would like to purchase:

- _____ Bus, Lesson, Lift & Rental package @ \$482.00 (This includes 4 lessons, 4 lift tickets, 4 days use of rental equipment and transportation to and from the mountain).
- _____ Bus, Lesson & Lift package @ \$396.00 (This includes 4 lessons, 4 lift tickets and transportation to and from the mountain; student must have their own equipment).
- _____ Bus, Lesson & Rentals package @ \$428.00 (This includes 4 lessons, 4 days use of rental equipment and transportation to and from the mountain; the child must have a season's ski or snowboard pass to Cypress Mountain).
- _____ Bus, Lesson Only package @ \$342.00 (This includes 4 lessons and transportation to and from the mountain. The child must have a season's ski or snowboard pass to Cypress Mountain and have their own equipment).
- _____ Optional Dinner Voucher @\$68 (Includes main meal, snack, beverage and sweet treat)

Skill Level (Please check one):

- _____ **First Time** – Never skied/ boarded before or prefers lower speeds on easy to moderate slopes.
- _____ **Novice** – Ski or board at a variety of speeds on varied terrain including some black runs.
- _____ **Experienced** – Ski or board aggressively at higher speeds on steep and more challenging terrain.

***Cypress Mountain charges a service fee to make any changes to student package. This fee will need to be paid by the family of the student needing the change. ***

A maximum of 48 students can join the ski and snowboard club. **Students can begin returning forms at 8:00am, October 22nd outside the gym. Forms will be collected until 3:30pm on the same day.**

While school staff will take reasonable steps to prevent injuries to students, some degree of risk is inherent in the nature of activities and may occur without fault on the part of the student, school board, its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your child to participate in this activity, you agree that the activity described above is suitable for your child, and that there is a risk of injury associated with the activity.

My child and I understand that both the district and school's Code of Conduct applies during the field trip. I will be responsible for any costs caused by my child's failure to abide by the Codes of Conduct including any costs to send my child home.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____