

Mad River Glen Seasonal Children's Program

Our Ski School mission is to inspire a passion for skiing and Mad River Glen.

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Seasonal Program Schedule & Rates

All prices are for the entire season
December 30, 2017 to March 18, 2018

	Before 10/15	After 10/15
Full Weekend Program	\$825	\$925
Saturday or Sunday Only	\$575	\$675
Freeskiing Team Weekend	\$850	\$950
Freeskiing Team		
Saturday or Sunday Only	\$600	\$600
Lunch Option Full Weekend*	\$180	
(\$100 one day) Same		

Seasonal Program Registration form, Seasonal Program Liability form, Seasonal Program and lunch payment must be completed and submitted

before October 15th in order to receive Pre-Season Discount. All forms must be completed and payment submitted prior to any child skiing in a program.

- Lift tickets and Season Passes need to be purchased separately.
- The program begins on December 30, 2017 and runs every weekend through March 18th.
- There are no make-up days when Mother Nature causes a cancellation. There is the potential for 12 weekends of lessons. Even if you only come to half of those, the program is still 50% off the daily rate. A value that we are truly proud of.
- Program fees cover the weekends. Holiday weekdays and other additional days can be purchased at 25% off the daily group rate. Reservations are necessary.
- In an effort to promote safer skiing practices, we recommend that kids wear helmets.

Seasonal Program Options

ROCKIN' ROBINS:

This program is for children 4 to 12 years old who have never skied before or need a refresher on fundamental skills. This program has a small instructor/student ratio (usually 1:4) so your child can get the attention they need to be “**mountain ready**” as quickly as possible. We do not take kids up the mountain until they can turn and stop on their own.

CHIPMUNKS:

This program is for children 4 to 6 years old who can ride the Sunnyside Double Lift. There are several levels of Chipmunks *(see levels below) based on the terrain they feel comfortable on. We focus on safety, fun, adventure, skill development and group dynamics. This program has a low instructor/student ratio (usually 1:8).

PANTHERS:

This program is for children 7 to 12 years old who can ride the Sunnyside Double Lift. There are several levels of Panthers *(see levels below) based on the terrain they are comfortable skiing. We focus on safety, fun, adventure, skill development and group dynamics. This program has a comfortable instructor/student ratio (usually 1:8).

The Chipmunks and Panthers are divided into different groups according to ability.

GREEN:

Your child can stop, link turns, skis primarily in a wedge and can ski Easy Way from the top of the Sunnyside Double.

BLUE:

Your child skis primarily in a wide track parallel on blue and green marked trails and reverts to a wedge on steeper terrain.

PURPLE:

Your child skis primarily in a “dynamic” parallel on blue and green trails and in a parallel on black marked trails.

DEVELOPMENT TEAM:

This program is for children 7 to 12 years old, who are skiing most trails in a relatively **dynamic parallel** and comfortable with speed. They will work on mountain skills such as bumps, trees, steeps and carving. This group needs to be self sufficient; they need to be able to get lunch on their own, go to the bathroom alone, and be able to find their parents on their own after lessons. They must be able to ride all of the lifts (including the single chair) without an adult. The Development Team is an excellent preparation for the Freeski and Racing Teams.

FREESKI TEAM:

For the all mountain ripper that wants to bring their skiing skills to a new level of expertise. They will work on bumps, jumps, steeps, trees and all snow conditions. They will also work on mental skills such as goal setting, teamwork, concentration, perseverance, and sportsmanship. There will be a girls group available on Saturdays, a boys group on Saturdays and coed group available both Saturday and Sundays. Ages 7 and up are welcome. This group needs to be self sufficient; they need to be able to get lunch on their own, go to the bathroom alone, and be able to find their parents on their own after training. They must be able to ride all the lifts (including the single chair) without an adult. In order to ski with the Freeski program the kids have to be skiing in a **dynamic parallel** on ALL terrain at Mad River.

There will be additional charges for overnight events, Mini Camps and Green Mountain Freeski Center.

Please Read-Very Important Information!

Days & Times

Parents should bring their child(ren) ready to ski to meet their coach at 9:30 am. Chipmunk and Panther groups will be greeted by your instructor at the Ski School meeting sign located next to the base of the Sunnyside Double Chair. Rock n' Robins groups will meet their coach in the Ski School lunch room in the Basebox. Skis should be left outside by the door. The Development Team will meet near the flag pole and the Freeski Team will meet by the side of the Basebox. Our classes run from 9:30-11:30 and 12:30-2:30. If your child participates in our lunch program, we get the pleasure of having them from 9:30-2:30. Classes meet and dismiss at their Ski School Meeting Place. Children should be picked each day by a designated adult.

Confirming Your Space:

We need you to contact us either by **email or phone** when your child **will not** be with us on their assigned day(s). This eliminates unnecessary waiting and allows more efficient staffing.

If You Are Late: Please meet at the Ski School Meeting Sign by the Sunnyside Chair for your class to come from their first run.

Lift Riding: If your child is under 7 years, please note that we will pair students up with an adult or other competent skier.

Dress For Skiing: Your child should dress for the cold with multi layers to keep warm: Ski jacket, snow pants, long underwear, ski socks (no cotton socks), mittens, hand and toe warmers, neck gator and a helmet.

Choosing The Right Group For Your Child

Stamina:

All day groups ski for four hours. The minimal amount of time our groups ski is for two hours (9:30-11:30 or 12:30-2:30). We do incorporate breaks, but keep in mind this can be a long stretch of ski time, especially for the younger skiers. At the beginning of the season, the younger skiers may not be able to endure a full day. We may ask you to pick up your child after lunch if they are fatigued.

Comfort:

We do our best to have the same children ski together from week to week. In addition, we will assign the same coach to a group for the season. Illness or other conflicts may require a coach change. If your child misses days, they may fall behind. Keep us informed on how your child feels in their group.

Fit:

We constantly assess your child's progress. If we feel they have improved enough to "move up," we will have him/her join the next level group. So when thinking about the best group in which your child will fit, be conservative. It is easier to "move up" than to "move down" and a slightly less advanced group can still work on very important fundamentals further strengthening your child's ability.

Lift Ready:

Lift ready means your child can stop independently and link turns. Our policy is to have all the Chipmunks ride with an adult (ski instructor, patrol, or volunteers from the lift line). For the Panthers, unless we hear from you that you have concerns about their lift riding ability, we will probably pair them up with another child.