

Cumberland Recreation

Lost Valley Program Orientation

Program Coordinator: Jenn Wilson

- Children may begin boarding the bus at 1:30pm. For attendance purposes, please check in with the lead chaperone.
- **LIFT TICKETS:** Participants will be issued a lift ticket on a removable clip the first day of the program. This is their lift ticket for the duration of the program. We have placed it on a removable clip so their jackets may be washed or the ticket taken off should they ski at a different mountain
- We strongly encourage car pooling for both pick up and drop off. This will help reduce traffic congestion in the parking lot
- The bus will leave at 1:45pm **SHARP**, from the **MIW Circle** parking lot and arrive at Lost Valley in time for lessons.
- All ski equipment will be carried underneath the bus. Labeled ski bags are highly recommended. Ski boots CANNOT be worn on the bus
- Please do not bring valuables. The Recreation Department and Lost Valley will not take responsibility for your personal items.
- The bus you choose for the first trip **IS** the bus you will ride on for the remainder of the program. Each bus will be assigned a lead chaperone and will go by either Bus "A" or Bus "B" each week. Children will be told which bus they are using.
- Eating on the bus is permitted however this privilege may be revoked if participants do not follow the driver or chaperone instructions. Also no glass containers.
- When on the bus you will need to follow the bus rules. The driver will show a brief video on the rules and expectations while on the bus. There will be no standing up, changing seats while the bus is moving, (With the exception of using the bathroom) turning around in your seat to talk or hanging in the aisle. You will not be allowed to yell or use inappropriate language. We suggest you sit with a friend on the ride to and from Lost Valley. If we find that individuals are having a difficult time following these rules we will assign seats.
- We will be showing age appropriate movies each week on the bus
- Once at Lost Valley we will need to move quickly.
- All clothing (sneakers, boots etc) that will not be worn on the slopes will need to be put in cubbies.
- Please place your child's name on all clothing and equipment.
- Participants renting equipment will disembark from the bus first. They will go with an assigned chaperone to the Ski Shop and line-up to get your equipment. When you are done for the night it is your child's responsibility to get all your equipment back to the Ski Shop and have the attendant check off that you have returned everything. We will not leave Lost Valley until all equipment is accounted for.

- Once you are dressed and ready for your lessons you will need to head out to the corral. Lessons run the first 75 minutes and “free skiing” will take place the final 75 minutes.
- Please remind your child that the intent of the program is to ski/ride and NOT to hang out in the lodge during our weekly visits to Lost Valley
- Proper attire is very important. You should dress in several thin layers and always wear a hat and mittens.
- Participants should always be aware of what time it is while skiing. Each chair lift has a clock.
- Lost Valley does have a concession stand. No one will be able to purchase anything after 5pm, so if you are going to eat there please be sure to do so before 5pm.
- We will board the bus at 5:30pm to return to Cumberland
- If a lesson is canceled due to the weather, we will notify the schools by 11:00am and post a cancellation message on our website.
- Town of Cumberland Website: www.cumberlandmaine.com
- When a lesson is canceled, it will be made up. This will be determined through the Recreation Department and Lost Valley.
- If your child is riding home with someone other than the Recreation Department bus, we **require** a note specifying with whom they will be riding. A child will not be allowed to go without written permission.
- Parents PLEASE note the return times. We cannot leave Lost Valley until every skier is accounted for so please talk with your child the first day of the program about getting off the slopes on time and on to the bus. If your child is going to leave with a parent/guardian please make sure it is communicated to the participants lead chaperone before they leave, we still are accountable.
- Participants are prohibited from playing video or entering the video game or restaurant area. The restaurant is in a separate room off of the snack bar/booth area

REMINDER

Depart MIW Circle @ 1:45pm

Return to Greely Middle School @ 6:30pm

First Trip is Wednesday, January 10th