



# Development Team

## 09/10 INFORMATION PACKET

**This flyer is designed to assist you in preparing your child for participation in the Development Team. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call the Ski & Ride School Administration office at (775) 586-7000, ext. 6206.**

### **D-Team Dates- Saturday and Sundays**

- Dec 19, 20, 2009
- Jan 9, 10, 23, 24, 30, 31, 2010
- Feb. 6, 7, 20, 21, 27, 28, 2010
- Mar. 6, 7, 13, 2010

**If the resort makes a decision to cancel any seasonal program due to inclement weather or road conditions, make up dates will be provided.**

## **The First Day of D-Team!**

**Attendance on the first day is very important, please make every effort to attend. Coaches will observe students abilities and the groups will be formed accordingly. Students not attending the first day will have their ability estimated and placed in an existing group.**

### ARRIVAL

Please plan to arrive at the California Lodge at 8:45 am. D-Team starts at 9:00 am sharp and we do not want to leave anyone behind!

### PARKING

You may park in the 15 minute parking area directly in front of the California Main Lodge. This is to allow for the safe and convenient delivery and pick up of your child participating in the D-Team program. If you choose to stay and ski while your child is in D-Team, you will need to move your vehicle to the regular parking area. Vehicles left within the 15 minute parking area will be removed at the owner's expense. Thank you for your help and cooperation in maintaining this privilege for D-Team parents.

### DROP OFF

Please bring your child to the top of the stairs, located on the right side of the lodge, behind the California Kids Center. On the first day, both coaches and supervisors will be on hand to answer any questions. After the first day, please check in with your child's coach when you drop him or her off. All the classes depart promptly at 9:00 am, please do your best to arrive on time.

### PICK UP

D-Team ends at 3:00 pm, behind the California Kids Center. We appreciate your cooperation in being prompt at the day's end. If you are unable to pick up your child on time he or she will be waiting inside the California Kids Center.

### LUNCH

Coaches have the flexibility to eat lunch at any of the mountain lodges. Kids should either carry their lunch in their jacket pockets and buy a drink or purchase lunch here. **It is not recommended that kids carry school sized backpacks or fanny packs due to the forward position that this creates when your child is riding a chairlift. Camel pack type bags for water are acceptable.**

### HEADGEAR

The coaches are trained and instructed on the importance of class handling and group safety. However, you can never be too careful when working with children, therefore **we require helmets for all children participating in D-Team.** We have helmets available for purchase in the California Lodge retail store.

### WHAT TO WEAR

It's all about fun! Never allow your child to come to D-Team unprepared for the elements. It's no fun to ski or ride when you are cold. If you are unsure of what the weather will do, error on the side of too much clothing. We can always take a layer off if needed.

### ***Requirements:***

- Waterproof Jacket
- Waterproof Gloves or Mittens
- Waterproof Pants
- 1 Pair of Ski/Snowboard Socks (not cotton)
- Goggles or Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Child's Season Pass - Please plan to pick up your child's season pass before the first day of D-Team.
- Helmet

### EMERGENCIES

If you need to get in touch with your child, please contact the Ski & Ride School Administration office at (775) 586-7000 ext. 6206. If your child becomes ill or injured while on the mountain, our Ski Patrol will immediately take them to one of our first aid centers for evaluation. You will be contacted at the emergency telephone numbers you have provided.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Should the resort be impacted by extremely high winds, blizzard conditions, heavy rain or any other condition which forces the resort to limit operations, we will consider cancelling D-Team. The Ski & Ride School management will discuss the potential status of the resort and the severity of the conditions with the Mountain Operations department. By 8:15am we will make a decision as to whether D-Team will be held for the day. We will immediately begin calling parents, using a phone tree, to notify you if D-Team is cancelled. In the event of a cancellation, we will utilize one of the scheduled make up days.

***Please be sure we have your correct phone number so we can reach you in the event of a cancellation.***

COACHES

The role of a "D-team Coach" is very important. D-team Coaches are hand selected from our current Ski & Ride School staff. Coaches are chosen based on their skiing/riding backgrounds, their passion and experience working with children. We encourage you to be active in your child's skiing/riding development and ask questions about his or her progress.

END OF SEASON EVALUATIONS

You can expect to see an end of season evaluation from your child's coach on his or her performance. We will cover areas such as skill development, skiing/riding etiquette, attitude and progress. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at (775) 586-7000, ext. 6206.

***The Heavenly D-Team Program was created to build children's self-esteem and confidence through snow sports and is one of our fundamental goals. In addition, we teach and encourage proper slope etiquette and mountain safety. Our aim is to foster good behavior while enjoying and nurturing a passion for winter sports. Here at Heavenly, we take great pride in it's execution and strive to improve the program every year. We encourage your participation and support. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you on the slopes!***

Sincerely,



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