

**The Riverside School**  
**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ski Chaperone Duties**

**11:15** Students depart Riverside on the bus.

**11:30-12:15** Meet us in the Brown Bag Area of the base lodge, just past Guest Relations. Students should **search out their equipment, either from the rental shop or where it was delivered from the gear truck on a rack at the base of the stairs**, and place it on a gear rack outside the base lodge. They should take notice of and responsibility for where their equipment is stored outside. Wait for Nelia to provide lift tickets in the BB area.

Chaperones should be flexibly ready for assignments from Nelia about which lesson to attend. Typically chaperones are assigned to the same lesson group each week, but there are always weekly changes.

6-8<sup>th</sup> graders **who are ready and have their lift tickets** are allowed to ride the J-Bar or the Sherburne Chair with a friend before their lesson. If they are late enough to disrupt the start of the lesson, they will lose that privilege.

**12:00** – bell will ring, go to lesson flag immediately and help the students to line up in an actual line, side by side, not cluster in a group.

**12:15-1:15 Lessons:** Assist the lesson instructor by giving personal attention to the Riverside students in your chaperone group. Reinforce the skills being taught in the lesson with modeling, encouragement, and correction as needed. **If you have any concerns about the teaching or facilitation of the lesson you observed, please share that only with Nelia** who will relay it to Burke Mtn's Snowsports administrators inside the lodge.

**1:15-3:30 Free Ski:** It is assumed that those adults who chaperoned Red and Green lessons will continue to ski on the lower mountain during this time, and those who were on the Upper Mountain Blue lesson will continue to ski on the upper mountain. If you'd like to do otherwise, please make specific arrangements to switch with another chaperone. **Feel free to take short breaks in the lodge, but please be sure that other chaperones on your part of the mountain know your plans and that different areas are covered.**

On Lower Mountain we ask that **students do not ski alone**, and that we as chaperones have a general awareness of which students are on which trails. On Upper Mountain we ask that **students not ski alone, and that they check in with an adult about their plans for the next run before starting a trail or before getting on the lift**. Our supervisory goal on the upper mountain is to know which trail a student is using at any given time. That means we need to be present as often as possible at the bottom or top of the lift, please plan to wait a few minutes at each end in case a student needs to communicate with us, and don't ski with a large chaperone group in order to help us stay spread out. **Whenever you see a Riversider on any part of the mountain, please ask: "Where are you headed? Who are you with?"**

Students may visit the Brown Bag Area for a reasonable break. There will be a chaperone in the base lodge to help ensure that students don't stay too long and that they clean-up after themselves. This is also a key person in facilitating communication between chaperones. Students should not go into the hotel or Mid Burke Lodge except for emergency bathroom needs.

All students must check out directly with the lodge chaperone before leaving with parents or drivers at 3:30, unless they are marked as having permission to ski late.

Cell phones are very helpful for maintaining communication on the mountain, please plan to bring and use yours, we will provide relevant numbers in advance

