

APPENDIX 1b



SPECIAL WINTER EXCURSION FORM / PARENTAL CONSENT

Participant Name: _____

School Name: _____

Select Activity: Skiing Snowboarding Cross Country Skiing Other _____ Elective Day

Ability: Non Beginner Intermediate Advanced Date of Visit: _____

Non Skier or Non Snowboarder	First time skiing/snowboarding. Individual has never skied or snowboarded before.
Beginner	The student has skied or snowboarded once or twice or a few times per year and has experienced and maintained control on a number of novice hills of varying difficulty. He/she is able to stop and turn both directions with some success. They are comfortable on green/beginner and some blue/intermediate slopes. May need assistance with getting on or off the lifts.
Intermediate	The student has skied or snowboarded on many occasions and has experienced a variety of hills and different ski areas. He/she can turn and stop under control using recognized formal techniques. They can ski/board with confidence on blue slopes and possibly some black/advanced slopes.
Advanced	The student is an experienced and competent skier or snowboarder. He/she has received formal instruction, knows and understands the Alpine Responsibility Code and can demonstrate ability at an advanced level. Such students can be called upon to assist supervisors.

IF RENTING EQUIPMENT, PLEASE COMPLETE

DATE OF BIRTH	_____	HEIGHT	_____
		cm	
WEIGHT	_____	SHOE SIZE	_____
kg			

Please include the named participant in the PARK program offered only to Advanced level skiers/ snowboarders. It is suggested that you and your son/daughter view the Smart Style safety video found at: www.terrainparksafety.org. In addition each ski area may have other requirements for entering their terrain park.

Signature: Parent / Guardian

Rental Helmet Required Yes No

RENTAL EQUIPMENT

Bindings on equipment reduce the risk of injury when falling. They will not release under all circumstances and they do not guarantee safety in all cases. Parents must accept responsibility for equipment that is lost or damaged (other than reasonable wear and tear).

ALPINE / CROSS COUNTRY RESPONSIBILITY CODE

The Ontario Snow Resorts Association has produced an Alpine/Cross Country Responsibility Code which the named ski area _____ and the named school board _____ requires that you know and obey. Skiers/snowboarders must always ski/snowboard in control and be able to stop and change direction to avoid collisions with people or objects. The named ski area _____ may revoke a lift ticket for violation of the code or other unacceptable conduct.

With the exception of Cross Country/Snowshoeing, all Alpine participants must wear an appropriate snow sport helmet for school excursions to OSRA member facilities. OSBIE recommends that schools adopt a mandatory snow sport helmet policy regardless of ski facility locations.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT / INFORMED CONSENT

This signed form is required for all students who wish to participate in this outdoor recreation and snow sport education program. It should be understood that the purpose of this excursion is educational. Lessons are mandatory.

INHERENT RISK

Skiing/Snowboarding/other is a sport with physical demands and inherent risks which are beyond the control of _____ and _____
 (Name of School Board) (Name of Ski Area)

The inherent risks include, but are not limited to: falling; use of lifts; collision with natural or man-made objects or other persons; changing weather conditions; changes or variations in the terrain or surface; exposed rocks, earth or ice; travel beyond the trail boundaries. Incidents may occur which result in serious injury or death. Participants **must assume** the inherent risks of the sport.

It is strongly recommended by the Ontario Snow Resorts Association that you visit their website: www.skiontario.ca to review the complete OSBIE document and safety information on this site prior to your school visit. Following all rules and procedures can reduce the risk of injury. Failure to follow the rules will result in the student losing their lift ticket and future resort privileges.

We have read and understood the above information, and agree to the regulations as outlined by the Ontario Snow Resort member Ski Area. I give my son/daughter permission to participate in the above noted activity at the ski area indicated.

Parent / Guardian Name **Signature** **Date**