

Dear Parent,

We are offering a ski/snowboarding trip to **The Mountain Top at Grand Geneva in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin** on **Wednesday, December 21st (the last day of school before Christmas Break)** for grades 5-8. Buses will leave Saint Mary after school at **3:45 PM** and return at **11:30 PM**. The base price of the trip includes bus transportation, lift ticket, group insurance, and chaperon supervision. Additionally, there are six options for selecting lift ticket, equipment rentals FOR STUDENTS. **All skiers and snowboarders MUST use a helmet for this trip.**

OPTION 1: Rental ski equipment AND HELMET are needed- \$80

OPTION 2: Rental snowboard equipment AND HELMET are needed- \$80

OPTION 3: Student will be bringing his/her own equipment INCLUDING HELMET- \$61

OPTION 4: Student is bringing his/her own ski/snowboard equipment, but NO HELMET- \$66

OPTION 5: Student is bringing his/her own HELMET, but needs SKI RENTAL- \$75

OPTION 6: Student is bringing his/her own HELMET, but needs SNOWBOARD RENTAL- \$75

We will need a limited number of adult chaperones (18 or older). If interested, please check the appropriate line on an ADDITIONAL Google Form from that of your child. Chaperone lift ticket fee is \$31 (helmet included) and rental equipment fee is an additional \$14 for skis and snowboard if desired. Non-skiing chaperones are needed in the lodge as well.

First time/beginner lessons cost an additional \$2.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday, December 19, 2015.

Here is the link for the virtual registration form: <https://goo.gl/forms/XUv8kxNGw2rgOekC3>

GENERAL SAINT MARY SCHOOL SKI/SNOWBOARD TRIP INFORMATION

1. Sign-up is on a first come first served basis. ALL PAYMENT FOR THE SKI TRIP WILL BE BILLED TO YOUR FACTS ACCOUNT. PLEASE DO NOT BRING CASH OR CHECKS WITH YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.
2. Saint Mary School may refuse participation due to poor academic performance or unsatisfactory conduct.
3. All students and chaperones MUST travel to and from the ski area on the bus. Any exceptions must be pre-approved in writing by the principal.
4. Skiers must adhere to Saint Mary's Code of Conduct and the National Ski Patrol Skiers Responsibility Code Guidelines.
5. First time/beginning skiers are to take the instructional small group lessons for safety and enjoyment.
6. Spending money should be brought for meals, lockers, snacks, ski shop items, to lock-up skis, etc.
7. ALWAYS SKI IN CONTROL and DO NOT influence friends to ski beyond their ability. Always fall down if you lose control of your speed, are about to collide with another skier, or are headed toward a stationary object.
8. Saint Mary staff and chaperones will be available at designated locations within the ski lodge and on the ski slopes. We will also be in contact with the ski patrol on a routine basis.

WHAT TO BRING

No special clothing need be purchased. However, an important consideration for a safe and fun outing is that you dress appropriately. Wear layers of lighter winter clothing rather than one large bulky coat. A safety helmet MUST be worn.

Suggested ski gear:

❖ Warm hat	❖ Spending money	❖ Change for storage locker
❖ Winter coat	❖ Snow pants	❖ Safety Helmet
❖ Long underwear	❖ Turtleneck	❖ A duffel bag to keep things together
❖ Gloves	❖ Ski goggles	
❖ Sweater	❖ Warm socks	

The ski hills have the capacity, when temperatures are right, to make their own snow through the use of sophisticated snowmaking equipment. Should the trip be cancelled due to poor snow or weather conditions, your child will be notified at school and a full refund will be issued. Students canceling from a ski/snowboard outing will be assessed a \$10.00 cancellation fee.

We are looking forward to a fun-filled ski/snowboard outing and look forward to providing your child the opportunity to participate in this exciting social and athletic winter sport, which is surprisingly easy to learn with the proper instruction.

Mr. Wiesen
Mrs. Tomassetti