



Ski and Snowboard School

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1/2 Way There!

Can you believe it! We are half way through the season.

In the first half of the season we have instructed over 3400 first time students! Several seasonal (mutliweek) programs wrapped up. Folks have passed exams (congrats to Wayne Wagener who recently passed his L2 Teach)! And, our survey metrics are all up when compared to last year. So much to be proud of and celebrate.

As we head into the second half of the season, we still have much to look forward to. The Superbowl is this weekend and we see a slight drop in lessons Sunday PM. That said, Presidents week is nearly here; this week will be busy especially in Youth Programs. We also have another seasonal program starting in March and all daily lessons will continue through the end of the season (their popularity is not waning). Remember, if you need to make up shifts please prioritize getting yourself on the schedule. Thanks for all you do!

Leadership Announcement!

Welcome to Christie Voos - Our new SSBS Administrative Specialist.

You may know Christie already or have seen her around the locker room. She has been instructing with us for a couple seasons and, is one of those amazing folks who is strong in both "right brain" and "left brain" traits. She is an experienced communicator who has been working as the Communication Analyst for the City of Leavenworth where she was responsible for all website, social media, marketing design etc. At the same time, she is an incredible strategic thinker with native genius in technology and systems, which she has put to use as a consultant finalizing and implementing complex programs like the paid parking program in Leavenworth.

Christie graduated from UW with degrees in both Geology and Economics. In her free time she likes hiking, skiing, mountain biking, reading, river rafting, cooking, growing her own veggies and spreadsheets 😊.

Christie reports directly to the Director of Skier Services and is a member of the SSBS Leadership team. Her position is hybrid; working from home mainly and at the mountain weekly. Christie's official start date is March 1st, but you will see her around until then.

Please congratulate Christie to her new role when you see her!

KEY DATES:

February 14th: Bird's Nest One Year Anniversary

February 25 & 26: Level One Alpine Assessment

March 3: Snowboard Level One Assessment



DEI at Stevens Pass

We have two company-wide groups to introduce that give us the opportunity to do more learning on a core value, Be Inclusive.

This will also allow us to think further about what diversity, equity, and inclusion means to us all at Stevens Pass. The new resource groups are The Rainbow Room and Women & Allies.

Join us in the Bird's Nest on Wednesday, February 15th and Saturday, February 25th from 4pm-5:15pm to continue the conversation.

Presidents Week Help Wanted!

President's weekend is coming up on February 20 through February 23 and schools are on break through the week.

If you are looking to add days to your schedule, please email SPSchoolStaff@vailresorts.com so we can add to your schedule.

This is expected to be a very busy week at the end of February and we could use some help!

My EpicPromise Challenge

Congratulations Team! We crushed the EpicPromise Challenge with over 30% participation. Better yet, our resort led the company in participation and set a new record!



Upcoming Training Dates

We have opportunities coming up for all uncertified ski and snowboard instructors to earn their level 1 certification!

\$1/hour wage increase, pro deals, and resources to obtain even more knowledge on the sport all become available to you with a level 1 certification.

The Alpine Level 1 Exam will be from 4:30pm to 8pm on Saturday, February 25th and Sunday, February 26th.

The Snowboard Level 1 exam is an all-day assessment on Friday, March 3rd from 8:45am to about 4pm.



Instructors can sign up for training at instructor.snow.com to get even more on-snow training as possible before the exams.