



MAT-SU SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB

2026-27 INFORMATION

Registration

****New this year: Registration will be by LOTTERY system.**

Lottery opens October 15, 2026 and closes at midnight November 15th. Please take your time and fill out all information carefully.

Access lottery registration via our website matsusnow.org

Lottery registration will indicate that you would like a membership. If you are granted a membership you will be notified by email November 16th.

You are required to confirm your seat by paying in full by December 1st.

We are adding another bus this year to accommodate growth.

We are reserving 100 seats for past members (lottery system), the remaining 250 seats will be awarded to new and past members, also via the lottery system.

Siblings will be grouped together, if one gets a seat, their siblings also get a seat.

Location

ALL of our buses will be at Colony Middle School

Session 1 : 6 trips	January 9 & 30, February 20, March 6 & 27, April 10
Session 2: 6 trips	January 23, February 6 & 27, March 6, April 3 & 17

Package 1: \$350	6 trips to Alyeska: Motor coach ride & lift ticket Unlimited Lessons @ Alyeska 3 lift tickets @ Skeetawk (must present ID of youth or parent)
Package 2: \$500	6 trips to Alyeska: Motorcoach ride & lift ticket Gear Rental at Alyeska & Skeetawk: skis or board, boots, poles, & helmet Unlimited lessons @ Alyeska 3 lift tickets @ Skeetawk (must present ID of youth or parent)
Payment	Registration is not considered complete until payment is received. Payment may only be made via Paypal or Venmo. Please be prepared to make your payment no later than December 1st. Paypal: matsusnowclub@gmail.com (note participant's name) Venmo: @matsusnow (note participant's name)

Registration Requirements	Weekly Schedule	Things to LABEL WELL & Bring	Bus Rules & Information
☐ Participants must be age 10-18 ☐ Choose a session ☐ Submit lottery form ☐ If granted a membership: ☐ Sign waivers ☐ Pay via Venmo or Paypal only ☐ Know participant ability level (see below) ☐ Provide rental information (height, weight, boot size) ☐ Know & agree to club rules	☐ Monday: check in for the week ☐ Wednesday midnight, check in closes ☐ Saturday 7:30am Buses start loading ☐ 8:00am buses depart promptly ☐ 9:30am arrive Alyeska ☐ 10:00am lessons start ☐ 4:30pm buses start loading ☐ 5:00pm buses depart promptly ☐ 6:30pm buses arrive ☐ Please be on time to pick your child up!	☐ Helmet: REQUIRED! ☐ Ski or Snowboard Gear ☐ Goggles ☐ Lunch or money ☐ Snacks for the drives ☐ Water bottle ☐ Money for a locker ☐ Label ALL your belongings! ☐ Gear bags or duffles are a great way to keep your boots, helmet, snowpants, gloves, etc together.	☐ Once you're on the bus you may not get off or switch buses ☐ Respectful appropriate behavior and language is required ☐ There is a bathroom on the bus ☐ All gear is stored below, keep a small bag with you for snacks & drink ☐ G & PG movies may be shown on each ride



MOUNTAIN SPORTS SCHOOL ABILITY LEVEL GUIDE



LEVEL 1 | NEVER SKIED/SNOWBOARDED

This is your first time skiing/snowboarding, or you have tried before but want to start from the VERY beginning.

Goals: Getting to know the equipment, learning to come to a controlled stop, taking your first turns.



LEVEL 2 | BEGINNER | LEARNING TO LINK TURNS

Maybe your 2nd or 3rd day and you are most comfortable learning on the magic carpet. Still learning to turn.

Goals: Building confidence on magic carpet terrain, learning to link turns, preparing to ride the chairlift.



LEVEL 3 | NOVICE | COMFORTABLE ON EASY GREEN TERRAIN

You can load a lift and descend a green run. You can make controlled turns and controlled stops on green runs.

Goals: Controlling speed through turn shape, building confidence with more speed on slightly steeper terrain.



LEVEL 4 | INTERMEDIATE | GAINING CONFIDENCE ON THE STEEPS

You are confident on green runs and are looking to explore efficient movements and steeper terrain.

Goals: Develop skills to ride any groomed run and to build more efficient movements.



LEVEL 5 | ADVANCED | CONQUERING THE MOUNTAIN!

You can ride all blue runs and have some success on black terrain. You may have started to explore off-piste (off of the groomed trails).

Goals: Develop skills needed to ski all groomed terrain and some off-piste.

Lessons Included

This year Level 1-3 are required to take a lesson on the first day.
You will not be given a lift ticket until you attend the lesson.

Lessons will be skills based. Additional lessons are available, you may schedule lessons with your weekly attendance check in for the week you choose.

Additional lessons are available. Please request a lesson when you check in for the week. Specify ski or board and level.

Chaperones	We will have 3 chaperones on every bus. Please sign up to be a chaperone for a day via this link! 🌐2026 Mat-Su Ski & Snowboard Club Chaperone Application or email matsusnowclub@gmail.com for the link. We will ALWAYS have a chaperone available at the day lodge at a marked table. Participants should check in with chaperones with questions or issues.
Ski Day	We require kids to stick with a buddy, know their skill level, and stay in appropriate runs for their abilities. Chaperones can ski with kids but are not able to be with every kid, they're completely outnumbered. Kids are expected to keep track of their own gear, money, food, and bags. Kids are expected to keep track of the time and board the bus on time. Gear bags must be stored outside, in a locker, or back on the bus. There is no access to the bus during the ski day.
Contacts:	Email matsusnowclub@gmail.com Session 1 Amy Harmon (907) 982-2310 Session 2 Jason Ortiz (907) 631-1288
Switching Days & Absences	Sorry we can't accommodate any switching days. Our low price already accounts for absences and we just don't have the staffing to work with over 350 schedules.
Bus Times	The bus does not wait. It departs on time, do not be late. Departs Colony Middle School: 8am Departs Alyeska: 5pm Arrives @ Colony Middle School: 6:30pm
Late Policy	Please be on time to pick up your child at the end of day. First late pick up is a warning, second results in the loss of 1 day trip to Alyeska.
Rentals	Please select rental gear while registering. Rentals cost \$150 for the season. Gear will be ready and labeled with your name at the day lodge each trip. Rentals include helmets. If you need to

	adjust sizes, please let us know so we can make the adjustments to the list for the next time.
Weekly Attendance Check In	You will receive a check in text Monday morning when it's your week to ride. Please reply promptly. Check in closes Wednesday at midnight and all open seats become available to One-Time Riders. This process of reporting your scheduled absences helps keeps costs low and allows more kids to participate.
One-Time Rides	Please fill out the google form starting Monday of the week you'd like to ride. Seats will be confirmed on Thursday & Friday as they are available. Invite your friends, or ride on a day that is not included in your session. One time rides are \$70 payable with Venmo or Paypal. Do not pay until your seat has been confirmed via email.
Support our Club!	Please select Mat-Su Ski & Snowboard club as your preferred recipient for Fred Meyer community rewards & Amazon Smile.
Refunds	We have a refund policy on the website. Please email if you have an injury that prevents you from completing the season.
Scholarships	We have scholarships available thanks to the Mat-Su Health Foundation. Please email the club with the subject line "scholarship inquiry" Due November 15th, midnight. You will need to register to obtain a seat.
Skeetawk Tickets	With membership you receive 3 lift tickets to Skeetawk. Please check in with the desk, report your name and have an ID (use a student ID or screenshot with your name and picture) You will get a lift ticket for the day. These are NON TRANSFERRABLE. You may use them any day Skeetawk is open. NEW THIS YEAR! Students who pay for a rental package may request rentals at Skeetawk. These are based on availability, but can be charged to the club at Skeetawk when you go use your lift ticket. ID required.
Lockers	Lockers are available at the day lodge. They cost \$10-\$15/day.
	Please pre-arrange with us if you will not be riding the bus to or

Skipping the bus ride	from Alyeska. We can have a lift ticket available for pick up at the lodge. If you will not need to ride the bus home you will need to be checked out with a pre-arranged adult, we will check ID. Parents may check their child out at any time with ID, pre-arranged parent check outs are encouraged.
Session Dates	Each session goes to Alyeska 6 times. Alyeska has black out dates and we are taking a bus every Saturday that is available to our club. All club members will attend the last Saturday.
First Timers	It's okay if you've never been before! This is a great way to learn and lessons will greatly help. Please practice getting your own gear on and off, come with a good attitude, stick to the lower mountain only, and you'll do great!
How we operate	Our club is a non-profit run completely by volunteers. Please be courteous to our volunteer board and chaperones, and please consider volunteering to help chaperone. Huge thanks to the Mat-Su Health Foundation, their generous support funds a huge part of our program.
Parent Meeting	We have parent meeting for new participants at Teeland Middle School date & time TBA. We will discuss procedures and answer any questions you may have. Please come if it's your first year!
Waivers & Risk	There are risks involved in skiing & snowboarding. Our club requires a signed waiver from every participant acknowledging and accepting the risks involved in this activity. Please read it on the registration form. Electronic signatures are required during registration and are binding. We're happy to send you an electronic copy if you'd like one for your records. We aim to educate our participants through lessons and guidance as much as possible to avoid unnecessary risks.