NORTHWESTERN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

BARKHAMSTED, COLEBROOK, NEW HARTFORD and NORFOLK

The mission of Northwestern Regional High School is to foster academic and personal excellence in every student. In partnership with families and communities, we create a safe learning environment dedicated to developing the skills of lifelong learning. Our dynamic and challenging educational program prepares individuals to respect diversity and become responsible citizens in a rapidly evolving global environment.

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Northwestern Region 7 Ski & Snowboard Club 2026-2027
Information and Registration

Registration Forms Due Date to NWR7: Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026 AND Registration Due Date online to Ski Sundown: Friday, November 13, 2026

Dear Parents,

Once again, Northwestern will participate in the ski, snowboard, lesson, and rental program at Ski Sundown this year. All 7th-12th grade students are welcome. Our program is scheduled for Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, 26, and February 2. Our bus will bring skiers and snowboarders to Ski Sundown; however, students must be picked up there at 5:45. We will be skiing and snowboarding from 2:45 to 5:45.

All links to the registration forms are on Northwestern's website under "Ski Club". For the first time, Ski Sundown has online registration and payment. Parents will first complete the Ski Sundown Program and Safety Agreement Emergency and Permission Form and the Program Order Form from the school packet (or school website) and return them to school with a check for only the bus fee. Then, using the links on Northwestern's website, register online with Ski Sundown. If you miss the due date, contact the ski club advisor (see below).

We need all forms filled out, bus payment made by check, and returned to the Middle School Office, House 1 or 2 offices, homeroom teacher, or to Ms.Davy, Middle School Room 325.

Registration packets are available in the office or with homeroom teachers. You can also download and print all forms from the NWR7 school website. To find the forms, search "Ski". **All paper forms and bus payment must be returned to school by Wednesday, November 4th.** Ski Sundown online registration and payment is due by Friday, November 13th. Ski Sundown will be charging $25.00 for late add-ons this year. Sign up today!!!
Please make checks payable to RSD7 (black or blue ink only, please) for the bus fee. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Davy at jdavy@nwr7.org.

Thank you,
Ms. Davy

2026-2027 Ski Sundown Program and Safety Agreement

Northwestern Regional Schools Emergency and Permission Form

Skier/Snowboarder Name:_____ Grade:_____

Date of Birth_____ Parent email (PLEASE write very clearly): _____

Mailing Address:_____ Town: _____ ZipCode:_____

Home Phone:_____

Mother's Name_____ Work Phone:_____ Cell Phone:_____

Father's Name_____ Work Phone:_____ Cell Phone:_____

Guardian's Name _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Guardian's Name _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

1) Name and Relationship_____ Phone:_____

2) Name and Relationship_____ Phone:_____

PERMISSION FOR EMERGENCY TREATMENT & ACCEPTANCE OF PERSONAL INJURY RISK

I give permission for the above-named student to participate in the Northwestern Regional Schools After School Ski Sundown Program, realizing that such activity involves the potential for injury, which is inherent in all sports. I acknowledge that I have carefully reviewed Sections 1-5 of the Ski Sundown 2025-2026 Group Participant Information & Program Agreement, reviewed the Ski Sundown Safety links with my child on the NWR7 website, and understand that injuries are still a possibility. On rare occasions, these injuries can be so severe as to result in total disability, paralysis, or even death. I authorize a licensed physician to provide emergency treatment for the student named above while participating in the Ski Sundown Program. I understand that this authorization is given prior to any need for medical care, but is given to avoid unnecessary delay in emergency treatment which the physician may deem advisable in the exercise of his/her best judgment. I presume a reasonable attempt will be made to contact me.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand these warnings and authorize a physician to act on my behalf.

_____ _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN DATE

_____ _____

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT DATE

I give my child permission to sign themselves out at or before 5:45, and stay after the NWR7 chaperones leave.

_____ _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN DATE

2026-2027 Ski Sundown Program Order Form

Name of Student: _____

Please circle: **Skier or Snowboarder**

Ability: **(Please circle only one Skier, or one Snowboarder Skill Level** for lessons and rentals.) CIRCLE SKILL LEVEL:

Skier	**OR**	**Snowboarder**
1. First Time		1. First Time
2. Beginner		2. Beginner
3. Novice		3. Novice
4. Intermediate		4. Intermediate
5. Advanced		5. Advanced

Choose any, (pay to Ski Sundown)
Choose bus, (pay to Northwestern)

Lifts only (5 visits for 4 hours each) ($240.00) _____

Lifts and Ski Lessons ($380.00) _____

Lifts and Snowboard Lessons ($380.00) _____

Season Passholder* Lessons ($225.00) _____

Equipment Rental ($151.00) _____

Bus to Ski Sundown (Payable to RSD7) $30.00 _____

(If purchasing only the bus, you must provide your own ski/snowboard and pass.)

Total Due = _____

*If you would like to purchase a season pass or a mid-week multiple-visit pass, visit www.skisundown.com. There is a significant discount if purchased before October 31. These are different options with more visits than our 5-visit group-rate pass.

Please sign in to Ski Sundown online, create an account if you don't already have one, and enter the above options to register. Click pay (online). Do not send payment to Northwestern for program registration.

Please make check payment for the bus to **RSD7** (black or blue ink). Please complete and return to school:

- ☐ This form, along with a check for the bus
- ☐ NWR7 Emergency and Permission Form (signed by guardian)

Return to the Middle School Office or Ms. Davy in MS Room 325. Bus payment and forms must be in by Wednesday, November 4, 2026. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Julie Davy jdavy@nwr7.org . Thank You!!!

Ski Sundown
New Hartford, Connecticut

Welcome to Ski Sundown! Your School is coming to Ski Sundown for five weeks on your designated weekday and time.

Your school promo code to apply at checkout is: NWR7
You MUST apply the promo code for accurate pricing and group assignment.

Ski Sundown is introducing our new reloadable RFID Go Card for the 26/27 season. We are excited to offer this new card to our after school groups. Your child's school program lessons and lift access, and optional rentals are all inclusive and loaded on the Go Card!
This season you will be able to buy your child's after school ski or snowboard program on-line. You will need to register yourself, then create profiles for yourself and child(ren). Once registered, select your program, optional rentals, apply your exclusive school promo code and then pay! We will take care of getting the Go Card to your Group Leader for distribution on the first day!
Your group will be coming on your designated weekday and time for five weeks. Lessons/Lift/Rentals are only good on your designated weekday and time.

Please follow these helpful instructions. Be aware that you will be prompted to choose Rentals during checkout if desired. If you have more than one child in your school program, please make a separate order for each applying the promo code to each order.

Select the five week program from the following list:

- *Lift and Ski Lesson 5x*. This program includes a one hour ski lesson with 4 hours lift access for five weeks.
  Click this link to buy ***Lift and Ski Lessons 5x***

- *Lift and Snowboard Lesson 5x*. This program includes a one hour snowboard lesson and 4 hour lift access for five weeks.
  Click this link to buy ***Lift and Snowboard Lessons 5x***

- *Ski Lessons for Season Passholders 5x*. This program is for students who are already passholders and wish to take ski lessons for five weeks.
  Click this link to buy ***Ski Lessons for Season Passholders 5x***

- *Snowboard Lessons for Season Pass holders 5x*. This program is for students who are already passholders and wish to take snowboard lessons for five weeks.
  Click this link to buy ***Snowboard Lessons for Season Passholders 5x***

- *Lift Only Access 5x*. This program is for students who do not want lessons and only need 4 hour lift access for five weeks.
  Click this link to buy ***Lift Only Access 5x***

Once you click the link, put the program in your cart, select Rentals if desired (be sure to complete the required Rental Information when prompted). Click View Cart and Checkout, sign the Liability Waiver, apply your group's exclusive Promo Code (see above), enter your credit card information—we encourage you to save your card in

your account in the event of any refunds or fees for replacement cards. Complete your transaction and watch for an email confirmation.

Not sure if you need rentals? You can come back later and make a new order for skis, boots and poles or snowboard and boots.
Click this link to buy ***Skis, Boots and Poles 5x***
Click this link to buy ***Snowboard and Boots 5x***

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026
REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
NO ONLINE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE

A few rules about the Ski Sundown Go Card.
1. Keep the Go Card in your jacket front pocket or jacket sleeve pocket. The RFID gates will read your card from either side. Alternate locations can be in a plastic sleeve attached to your helmet, front snow pants pocket or in a glove zipper pocket.
2. DO NOT PUNCH A HOLE IN YOUR GO CARD. YOU WILL DAMAGE THE ANTENNA INSIDE. 3. Lost, damaged or forgotten Go Cards can be replaced at the Welcome Center for a $5.00 fee. 4. It is important that your child remember to bring his/her card each session. A forgotten card can only be replaced for a $5.00 fee.
5. The Go Card can be reloaded with a ticket if you are coming on a different day. The reloadable Go Card holds all your purchased lessons and tickets outside of your after school program! Taken care of, your Go Card can be used for future seasons.

All questions must go to your Group Leader first. Many of your questions can be answered in the **WEEKLY GROUP PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION 2026/2027**.

WEEKLY GROUP PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION 2026/2027

Ski Sundown is committed to offering a safe and fun experience for all skiers and snowboarders. Our Weekly Group program is a wonderful opportunity to regularly participate in a great winter sport.

- ❄ Read and understand this handout and discuss the information with your child.
- ❄ Everything you need to know about the group program is in this handout.
- ❄ All inquiries, Questions, Program add-ons and cancellations: MUST GO THROUGH YOUR GROUP LEADER.
- ❄ The Group Leader organizes and administers your group and handles all issues.
- ❄ Ski Sundown cannot make any changes to your child's Program unless arranged by your Group Leader. Always Contact your Group Leader first.

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   ➔*LABEL ALL YOUR EQUIPMENT!!!*←

*Ask your Group Leader about the ***Helmet, Goggle, & Lock Offer!*** Ski Sundown is offering a special discount to all kids participating in our afterschool program.*

1. **Online Registration and Payments**

All registration and payments due to Ski Sundown will be done online. Liability waivers will be signed there as well. If you do not have an account already, you will have to create a profile for yourself and then add on your child to make the purchase.

How to create an account online:

- Visit skisundown.com and click **BUY ONLINE** or go to https://store.skisundown.com/
- Click the *My Account* or blue account icon to register for a new account or sign into existing account.
- **Add Family Members** – To add a family member, go the *My Account* icon and click on family. Enter all information for child.
- Links will be provided to the Group Leaders from Ski Sundown that will be forwarded to the parents to make desired purchases on website (Lift/Lesson, Lift Only, Passholder Lesson and Rentals)
- A specific code will be provided for each individual group to be entered before purchase is complete.

*We recommend saving your credit card information on to your account so it is accessible for future purchases and refunds

2. WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE FIRST DAY AT SKI SUNDOWN

Be prepared to ski in any weather. Wear a helmet or hat, waterproof gloves, snow pants, waterproof jacket, neck warmer (no scarves), goggles or sunglasses and ski/snowboard socks. ➔*LABEL ALL YOUR EQUIPMENT!!!*←

- **Arrival:** When the bus arrives at Ski Sundown, a member of the Ski Sundown staff will greet the bus and give a brief talk about safety and proper behavior. All participants will then go to the lodge where a group Chaperone will reserve a table with the group's name on it. There will always be a Chaperone at this table if a participant needs assistance. Skiers/boarders may leave their bags at this table or in the lockers or cubbies.
- **Rentals:** Renters then go to the Rental Shop to pick up their equipment. If using your own equipment, please have a ski shop perform a binding safety check and wax and tune your child's skis or snowboard prior to the start of the program.
- **Lessons:**
  A. On their first visit all first-time skiers/boarders will meet outside of the Rental Shop exit. They will be met by Ski Sundown staff and will be supervised in the first- time learning area until their lesson time. Since the use of the chair lift may not be taught on the first day, beginners will use the conveyor lift on their first visit.
  B. All other lesson participants are expected to be outside the Rental Shop 10 minutes before their class begins. They will then be placed in groups according to their skill level. If a participant cannot ski/board in control or ride a chair lift, he/she will be grouped with the new skiers/boarders to review the basics.
  C. Lesson groups are arranged on the first day and participants will stay in the same group unless an instructor recommends a change. When you enroll your child in group lessons, take into consideration your child's other commitments and obligations that may interfere with the scheduled lesson. IF YOUR CHILD MISSES A SCHEDULED LESSON DUE TO ILLNESS OR ABSENCE, THE LESSON IS LOST. Makeup lessons are not offered. Participants are not allowed to switch groups or attend a lesson on another day. This is necessary for lesson continuity, group size and participant safety.

➔*LABEL ALL YOUR EQUIPMENT*←

This includes personally owned equipment and leased equipment such as: Helmet, Ski Poles, Skis, Snowboard, Ski Boots, and Snowboard boots.

3. RESPONSIBILITY AND SAFETY

A safe and fun environment requires the cooperation of all those who choose to ski and snowboard at Ski Sundown. Please discuss these responsibilities and rules of etiquette with your child before he/she visits Ski Sundown.

RESPECT

- The mountain is for everyone to enjoy. Respect the mountain and those using it and act responsibly at all times. Be watchful and aware of others and show courtesy to them. Present a positive image for our sport.

SAFETY

- The mountain undergoes changes continuously. Take a slow and careful run to familiarize yourself with the current conditions and trails.
- Never follow anyone too closely.
- Do not stop in the middle of a trail.
- We try to provide features that accommodate different skier/boarder abilities. **KNOW YOUR LIMITS.**
- We **DO NOT ALLOW INVERTED AERIALS** at Ski Sundown.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Ski or snowboard with care.

PROPER USE OF LIFTS

- Be familiar with the common courtesies and guidelines for using the lifts at Ski Sundown. They are for your safety and the safety of others.
- Obey all posted instructions at each lift.
- Do not use a lift until you are familiar with its operation. Watch and learn. Ask any lift employee for help.
- The area around all lift mazes is a **SLOW SKIING ZONE.**
- Do not stand in front of lift mazes or block the flow of traffic.
- Load and unload only at designated areas.
- Lower restraining bar immediately after loading.
- Sit quietly and do not bounce chairs, hit lift towers, or in any way abuse lift equipment.
- When unloading, make sure no loose clothing, poles or packs are caught in the lift. Move quickly away from unloading areas.
- If a lift stops, do not attempt to get off. Remember, if there is a mechanical problem, area personnel will provide assistance.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY CODE

Skiing and snowboarding are dynamic, fluid sports of motion in a winter environment that requires constant awareness and judgment by skiers or snowboarders to overcome the inherent risks of the sport. Ski Sundown is committed to skiing or snowboarding safety and expects all skiers or snowboarders who choose to ski or snowboard at Ski Sundown to follow **Your Responsibility Code** listed below and other posted rules and regulations that are designed to make a visit to Ski Sundown a great experience for everyone.

1. Always stay in control. You must be able to stop or avoid other people or objects.
2. People ahead or downhill of you have the right-of-way. You must avoid them.
3. Stop only where you are visible from above and do not restrict traffic.
4. Look uphill and avoid others before starting downhill or entering a trail.
5. You must prevent runaway equipment.
6. Read and obey all signs, warnings and hazard markings.
7. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
8. You must know how and be able to load, ride and unload lifts safely. If you need assistance, ask the lift attendant.
9. Do not use lifts or terrain when impaired by alcohol or drugs.
10. If you are involved in a collision or incident, share your contact information with each other and a ski area employee.

Know and Obey the Code. It's Your Responsibility.

If you need help understanding the Code, please ask an employee.

Safety Talk Video

Safe, responsible skiing is a top priority at Ski Sundown and we want to bring this message to all our skiers/boarders and their parents. Please watch the NSAA Safety video with your child and read the Safety Guidelines document at our website, skisundown.com under Group Visits then in Weekly Groups.

4. COMMUNICATION

If your child requires any special attention due to a physical or medical problem, inform your Group Leader immediately so that Ski Sundown is notified of it at the time of registration. If your child has an issue with a lesson group assignment, he/she should inform their group leader who will speak with a Snowsports School Lesson Supervisor prior to the start of the lesson. **If you or your child have other concerns about lessons or any other aspect of the program, please contact your Group Leader.**

5. SKI SUNDOWN RFID GO CARD

The Ski Sundown Go Card is a reloadable, RFID-enabled media that stores your child's program information. If your child already has one, the program will be added to it. If not, they will receive a new one. They need to keep it in a separate pocket (left or right side, away from other cards or electronics). This card can also be used for lift tickets, season passes, other programs and lessons. Gift cards may be purchased for your child and can be added right on to the card. The cards are included with the program but if the card is forgotten or lost, there will be a $5.00 charge for a new one.

NO EXCEPTIONS to this because we no longer provide paper tickets for one day uses. We recommend saving your credit card information on to your account so it is accessible.

6. CANCELLATIONS

Ski Sundown offers make-up dates if Ski Sundown cancels a visit due to unfavorable weather conditions. If school is cancelled on a scheduled session date in the district where participants reside, a make-up session will be offered. Your Group Leader will keep you informed of any changes, cancellations or make-up dates. **Please contact your Group Leader, not Ski Sundown, regarding cancellations and make-ups.**

7. MISSED SESSIONS

If your child misses a session, their Ski Sundown Go Card will still have a 4-hour Lift Only make-up visit loaded on it. They are able to come **Mondays through Fridays** excluding holidays *(December 28 – 31, 2026; January 1, 2027; February 15-16 2027)* until the end of season. If your child misses a session by choice, illness or quarantine, there is **no** make-up, credit or refund for a missed Lesson and/or Lift. If your child purchased the rental option, he/she will be able to use the rentals on the make-up visit if prior arrangements are made with the Rental Shop. You can contact the Rental Shop at (860) 379-7669 ext. 250.

8. REFUND POLICY

Full refund will be given if request is made **by the Group Leader** and received by Ski Sundown **prior to January 4, 2027**. No refunds or credits will be given after this date unless the protection policy criteria are met. The protection policy is added to your program at no cost and will reimburse the price of your program on a prorated basis in the event of injury or illness that prevents your child from completing the program. The illness or injury must be confirmed by a letter from a licensed physician, and the refund request must be received **from the Group Leader by March 12, 2027. No refund requests will be accepted after this date.**

9. LOST AND FOUND/ FORGOTTEN CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT

→ ***LABEL ALL YOUR EQUIPMENT!!!*** ← If the item is missing during your child's visit, he/she can go to the Ski Shop to fill out a Missing Item Report. There is also a link on our website that you can use to contact the Ski Shop about the missing item. **We recommend that all personal items *be labeled*** with identification (Name, Group/ School Name and Phone number) that will help with getting the lost item back to your child. Ski Sundown NEVER lends items from our lost and found. If your child forgets anything, they can make a purchase in our Ski Shop or arrange to purchase rentals. The Welcome Center will be happy to help a parent purchase a Gift Card over the telephone and make sure it gets to a chaperone in the group.

Ski Sundown
Winter made better!

Ski Sundown Safety Guidelines and Helpful Hints

Clothing

- Be prepared for the weather. It may be warm where you go to school, but it gets colder after dark, especially on the mountain!
- Mark clothing clearly with your name. If an item is lost, check Lost & Found in the Ski Shop above Rentals. There is also a form on our website to report any lost items.

Equipment

- Mark equipment clearly with your name to prevent your items from getting lost or stolen. If an item is lost, check Lost & Found or report item lost through the form on our website.
- Skis and Snowboards belong in racks. Pick a place on any rack and try to use it every time so that it becomes routine. Do not leave equipment laying in the snow.
- If you have your own equipment, make sure you can put it on/off without assistance. Also, try on your boots and make sure they fit.

Know the Mountain

- Know the Trail Signs: Green Circle = Easier, Blue Square = More Difficult, Black Diamond = Most Difficult, Double Black Diamond = Extremely Difficult
- Do not go on trails marked above your ability
- Avoid snowmaking equipment on the trails
- Understand that conditions vary according to the weather and time of day
- Be aware that grooming will occur anytime between 6 and 7pm nightly. Stay clear of grooming equipment on the mountain.
- DO NOT SKI UNDER ROPES MARKING A CLOSED TRAIL

We are a Community

- As a community of skiers and snowboarders, watch out for each other. Keep each other safe.
- Don't try to convince your first-time skier/rider friend to go on terrain that is too difficult for them.
- Your most important piece of safety equipment is your brain. Use it.

New! 20% OFF



Helmet, Goggle, & Lock Offer!

Ski Sundown is offering a special discount to all kids participating in our afterschool program. Choose any helmet, google, or lock and get 20% off of your purchase! Simply stop by our Ski Shop, and our friendly staff will assist you in getting the right size and fit.

Questions? Email jlacroix@skisundown.com or call 860-379-7669, ext. 251.

No returns or refunds will be offered.

PLEASE NOTE: Ski Sundown does not mandate that skiers and riders wear a helmet while in our ski or snowboard school. We recommend personal choice. In addition to comfort and warmth, helmets provide added protection against head injury (ASTM F2040 Safety Standard). It is important to remember the risk of injury can never be excluded completely. Ski Sundown and Smith encourage all skiers and riders to follow "Your Responsibility Code". Guests assume inherent risks and liabilities as outlined on the Ski Sundown Group Badge. For more information on the use of helmets please visit National Ski Areas Association Lids on Kids Website at www.lidsonkids.org.

Ski Sundown