

Bradford Ski & Board Program Gloucester **Public Schools & Seaside Sustainability, Inc.**



In an exciting partnership with the Beeman School, Gloucester High School and the O'Maley School of Gloucester, Seaside Sustainability, Inc. (a charitable organization committed to providing adventure-based experiential education) is offering a new **Bradford Ski & Board Program**. Bradford offers 13 trails and an expansive state-of-the-art terrain park with lots jumps, rails and boxes! Open to all **students from those three schools**, participants **will be provided transportation** to and from Bradford Ski Area in Haverhill. The program will meet for six consecutive Mondays this winter, starting on January 7th. The bus will leave after school and return to each school between 7-7:30 PM (this information will be communicated to each school) Students are encouraged to bring their own food/snacks, or they may purchase supper or snacks at the ski lodge before boarding the bus to return home. Meeting dates are scheduled for **January 7, 14, 28 and February 4, 11, 25**. If any days are missed because of school closure, they will be added on to the end. The cost per student for six Monday afternoons of skiing or snowboarding is \$310 (lift ticket only) or \$360 (lift ticket and lesson). Payment may be made by check or credit card. **Equipment rental is also available but not suggested at the mountain.**

Registration is rolling and will be open until we reach program capacity, but at a minimum we must have at least 35 participants. Parents/guardians who are interested in attending as a “monitor” (or assistant) will be able to ski for free during the program, but they **MUST** commit to all six weeks. We are also looking for any parent interested in driving equipment for the six trips in exchange for them and their child to ski or ride for free. Additionally, interested high school students can also serve as “monitors” in exchange for required community service hours (and free mountain access). For questions please contact Eric Magers @ magerse@seasidesustainability.org.

Payment Information:

- **Registration for participants interested in taking lessons will end on November 30th. [Registration](#) for participants not taking lessons will be open until the program reaches capacity.**
- *Registration will not be complete without payment. Fees are due at the time of registration.*
- As per the policies of the Bradford Ski Area and Seaside Sustainability, Inc., once a participant has registered and Bradford has been paid, in most cases it will not be possible to provide a refund.

Payment Types:

- **If paying by credit card**, online registration and payment can be completed here <https://www.seasidesustainability.org/ski-and-board-program>
- **If paying by check**, make it payable to “Seaside Sustainability, Inc.” In addition, please complete and return required documents (included in this packet: pgs. 6-8). You can [register online](#) and pay by check too. Check and completed materials can be either turned into the main office, or mailed directly to Seaside Sustainability, Inc., PO Box 131, Gloucester, MA 01931

More Program Info:

- **Lessons:** Participants that are signed up for lessons must take them. It is the participant’s responsibility to show up for the lesson; chaperones and monitors will assist students, but ultimately it is the participant’s responsibility to get to the lesson on time. If participants are not signed up for lessons by the **December 3rd deadline**, they will not be available.
- **Emergencies & Medical Attention:** Bradford’s ski patrol is professionally trained, and fully equipped to handle any potential emergencies or medical issues in order to keep participants safe.
- **Medications:** If your child requires medications to be administered during these outings, it will be the sole responsibility of the child to self-administer.
- **Clothing:** Please contact the Director if you need to discuss gear and clothing. If possible, please pack extra warm socks, ski gloves or mittens, warm hat or helmet, and goggles.
- **Equipment and Drop-Off:** Your child’s equipment must be dropped off at the school **before the close of school** so that the group’s departure is not delayed. Please note that ski and snowboard equipment is not allowed to travel on the morning bus with your child! In addition, to prevent loss of participant gear during travel, it is important that **skis and poles be fastened together**.
- **Important Times:** The bus leaves each school between 2:15-2:45 and returns from Bradford between 7-7:30 PM (each school will have specific times they will relay to participants). It is important that participants are picked up promptly upon return to school. When it’s time to depart from Bradford, participants must meet inside the lodge by 6 PM. After we gather in the lodge, we will return to the bus as a group, load all gear, and depart at 6:15.
- **Cancellation and Make-up Days:** Cancellation of school is out of our control, and will result in the cancellation of ski and board club. We will do our best to schedule make up days, but cannot make any guarantees, as the safety of our staff and participants will always be our primary concern.

- **Lift Passes:** Every participant is provided a lift pass in the lodge upon arrival (which allows them access for all six Mondays), which will be distributed before and re-collected after each session. Lost passes are \$10 to replace.
- **Gear Loading and Unloading:** Chaperones, participants and monitors will load and unload all skis and boards but it is the **responsibility of the participant to ensure their gear gets to the bus!** If the bus is being used for gear, skis and boards go to the back of the bus, while all the other personal gear goes onto the bus with your child.
- **Skier/Boarder Responsibility Code Quiz:** On the first day of the program, participants are provided the [Skier/Boarder Responsibility Code](#) and they are given a quiz to ensure they are able to conduct themselves safely while on the hill. Chaperones and monitors will review the quiz and work with participants that get a 70% or lower to ensure they can be safe riders at all times.
- **Packing List:** To ensure your child does not forget to pack anything, we suggest parents write a list for students. This should include what to pack, how to conduct themselves among the group, and what to be aware of in the lodge or while on the hill. Often this list is laminated and attached to the outside of the child's equipment bag. **Participants are responsible for their own equipment; chaperones are not responsible for lost or stolen equipment!**
- **Bags & Homework:** Having too many bags on the bus is problematic; we encourage participants to leave their school bags at school (we have arranged for kids to be able to leave personal items safely behind). These items will be able to be picked up upon return to school. Homework can be completed on the ride to the mountain; unfortunately, on the return trip bright lights from flashlights and mobile phones are a distraction to the driver and cannot be permitted.
- **Changing Clothes:** Some participants prefer to dress in their gear at school before boarding the bus, and may use school bathrooms, but must ensure timely boarding onto the bus so as not to delay departure. There are also bathrooms available for changing at the lodge.
- **What to expect when we get to the ski area:**
 - Participants must bring all their gear from the bus to the lodge, leaving boards, skis and poles outside on the racks. **Although theft at the lodge is uncommon, it happens.** Please consider separating skis or using a lock outside the lodge.
 - If renting equipment, a chaperone or monitor will be available to help participants retrieve their gear.
 - The lodge is quite busy, with dozens of school groups using the same limited space. Items are very easily lost and misplaced; PLEASE urge your child to return everything to his/her bag. There are lockers available inside the lodge.

- All participants meet in an area inside the lodge that is designated for GPS participants. Once participants are dressed and ready to go, they can get their passes from chaperones. They are then allowed to ski and board until the 6 PM meet time in the lodge. For those taking lessons, they will be given a specific time that they will be expected to report to the lesson meeting area (a chaperone can assist with lesson location if necessary).
- **Participants must be inside the lodge by 6 PM** with a departure time of 6:15.
- **Rentals:** Bradford Ski Area has a full service rental facility. There is an additional \$160 charge for equipment rental. Those renting equipment at Bradford must fill out additional paperwork and there is a \$200.00 credit card number deposit required for snowboard rentals (Director Krajewski will contact you for this information). Helmet rental for skiers/snowboarders is available for an additional \$60.00. **We highly recommend obtaining seasonal rentals elsewhere as equipment rented from Bradford for this program will only be able to be used for the 6 afternoons of this program.** (To obtain season rentals, please check Sport Stop, 67 Main St, Wenham 978.468.4488.)
 - **Bradford Ski Area does not** rent boots or skis separately **or** adjust or work on any equipment other than their own
 - If a skier or snowboarder needs to rent for one day only, it is at the prevailing rate for skis/snowboards.
 - We strongly suggest that parents check height, weight (fully clothed) for skiers and verify shoe size before completing the rental form. For students renting helmets please measure their head for proper size.
 - Participants are responsible for the helmets, skis, poles, boots and / or snowboards assigned to them. At the end of the day each week the equipment must be returned to the shop. There will be a \$15.00 charge for rental equipment not returned, which must be paid prior to the next week's program.
 - **IF EQUIPMENT IS LOST, THE SKIER/SNOWBOARDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPLACEMENT AT FULL RETAIL VALUE.**
 - Participants will be given the same size rental equipment each week. If the student feels that any of the equipment is not sized properly, they should notify the rental shop immediately.
 - Participants can rent helmets for the entire 6 week period. They must return on the final day of program.

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Participant Name _____ School _____ Grade _____

Home Address _____

Participant Email (write legibly) _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Email (write legibly) _____

Parent/Guardian Email (write legibly) _____

Mobil # _____ Home # _____ Work # _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone # _____

Package: (circle one) **Lift Only \$310** **Lift & Lesson \$360 (lesson registration ends Dec. 3rd)**

Participants that are signed up for lessons must take them. Bradford saves lesson spots for our program, so it is imperative that if you sign up for lessons, ***you attend EVERY session for the entire 6 week program.*** Choosing not to attend lessons after signing up is taking that opportunity away from others.

Ski or Board (circle one) **SKI** **BOARD**

Renting Equipment (circle one) **YES \$160** **NO**

- Not recommended to rent from Bradford. Since their rental equipment can't be taken off site, these rentals can only be used on the 6 afternoons of this program.
- An additional form is required for all rentals from Bradford
- A \$200 deposit using a credit card is required for snowboard rental

Ability Level (circle ONLY one) **Level 1** **Level 2** **Level 3** **Level 4**

- **Level 1** - No experience, unable to turn or control skis or snowboard.
- **Level 2** – The student can walk, climb up hill, get up from fall, glide and balance.
- **Level 3** – The student can go slow, stop, and turn in both directions.
- **Level 4** – The student can link turns, ride lifts independently, and make large and small turns.

Helmet Rental (circle one) **YES \$60** **NO**

Fees Enclosed (include all that apply)

Package (ticket only/ with lesson)	\$310 / \$360
Ski/Board Rental (<i>optional</i>)	\$160
Helmet rental (<i>optional</i>)	\$60

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Code of Behavior: It is expected that all students conduct themselves in a safe and reasonable manner and observe the directions of the Chaperones. All Gloucester School District rules and regulations will be enforced at all times (for a copy of the student handbook, please contact the main office or look on the school website). Any student who jeopardizes his/her own or another's safety or wellbeing may result in the student being removed from the Program without a refund.

Seaside Sustainability, Inc. ("the Company") strives to protect and respect the rights for all participants. Appropriate behavior is expected from all participants at all times in recreation programs. To ensure safe and enjoyable programs and facilities for all participants, the following guidelines have been developed to make recreation programs safe and enjoyable for all participants:

- Show respect to all participants and staff
- Show respect for equipment, supplies, and facilities
- Refrain from using foul language and obscene behavior
- Refrain from causing bodily and/or emotional harm to other participants or staff
- Refrain from unsafe or destructive activities

Seaside Sustainability, Inc. reserves the right to dismiss a participant, and in such case, will be held to the following standards and procedures.

- A positive approach is emphasized and the making of moral judgments is avoided.
- Parents will be notified of a child's inappropriate behavior and immediate changes in behavior will be expected; this notification will serve as a warning of dismissal from the program if such changes do not occur.
- After such warning, continual inappropriate behavior will result in removal of the participant from the program for the duration of the program with no reimbursement.
- Activities including—but not limited to—the following, will elicit removal from the program: fighting, physically hurting or attempting to hurt another child or staff intentionally, inability to regain control or temper, obscene or inappropriate language and or behavior, being disrespectful in an intense manner, continued lack of respect, bringing any type of weapon, leaving the program site, and/or any other unstated behavior or situation that an adult leader or staff member(at his/her own discretion) deems inappropriate.

I am aware that recreational activities, particularly those related to recreation at a ski/board area, including the Bradford Ski & Board Program, can involve danger. I understand that these activities involve certain risks, including but not limited to, death, serious neck and spinal injuries resulting in complete or partial paralysis, brain damage, and serious injury to virtually all bones, joints, muscles, and internal organs. I am voluntarily participating in this activity with knowledge of the potential danger(s) involved and hereby agree to accept any and all inherent risks of property damage, personal injury, or death.

I am fully aware of these risks, and in consideration of my, or my child's, participation, I hereby release and hold harmless the Company and their employees, instructors or agents, from any and all liability, loss, damage, costs, claims and/or causes of action, including but not limited to all bodily injuries, death, and property damage arising out of or relating to my engaging in any of the Company's activities, including but not limited to the "Bradford Ski & Board Program" or any activities incidental thereto. I understand that this waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of Massachusetts and agree that if any portion is held invalid, the remainder of the waiver will continue in full legal force and effect. I further agree that this agreement shall be governed by the law of Massachusetts.

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PHOTO & VIDEO RELEASE: I hereby waive and release the use of my child’s photograph, video or likeness for any reason or purpose.

On the part of Bradford Ski Area (“Management”), let it be noted that the purchaser and user of tickets, (1) assumes all risk of injury, loss of or damage to property. (2) Assumes and understands that skiing is a hazardous sport that bare spots, variation in snow, ice and terrain along with bumps, forest growth and debris, rocks and many other hazards or obstacles exist within this ski area. In using tickets and skiing at the area, such dangers are recognized and accepted whether they are marked. (3) MASS.G.L. CH. 143 Sec. 71P, provides with limited exceptions, that no action shall be maintained against the operator of this ski area for any injury to a skier unless the injured person shall, within ninety (90) days of the incident give to the operator notice by registered mail of the name and address of the injured person and the time, place and cause of the injury. Management may revoke tickets at any time without refund.

I affirm that I am of legal age and am freely signing this agreement. I have read this form and fully understand that by signing this form I am agreeing to abide by all of the Company’s rules and guidelines regarding participation in the “Bradford Ski & Board Program” and all other programs. I further understand that by signing this form, I am giving up legal rights and/or remedies, which may be available to me against the Company, or any of the parties listed herein.

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU AGREE IN CONSIDERATION FOR PARTICIPATING, THAT SEASIDE SUSTAINABILITY, INC. (the “COMPANY”) IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INJURY (OR LOSS OF PROPERTY) TO ANY PERSON SUFFERED WHILE PARTICIPATING, PREPARING TO PARTICIPATE, OR ANY OTHER WAY INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY, (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE “BRADFORD SKI & BOARD PROGRAM”), FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE COMPANY, ITS AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES. PLEASE READ THIS RELEASE CAREFULLY AS IT RELATES TO YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

