



Tahoe Expedition Academy

Ski Local Thursdays

2023-24 School Year

Ski Local Thursdays is an opportunity for PreK - 6th grade students to ski or snowboard during the Thursday afternoons from January to March. This is a fun, CommuniTEA tradition for students to enjoy the incredible Sierra winter together.

Alternatively, if your child is not skiing, they will be able to stay on campus for afternoon enrichments and activities. And for those 'on campus' XC skiing will also happen at nearby cross country resorts instructed by TEAchers and winter season guides. There's also limited space (15 spots) for K - 5th grade students to rock climb at Truckee's High Altitude Fitness - talk about a world class location!

Normal afternoon pickup and bus routes will happen for those students who remain on campus during Ski Local Thursdays.

Important Links

- [Ski Program Registration Packet](#)
- [Rock Climbing Program Registration](#)
- [Program Scholarship Application](#)
- [School Calendar](#)

Parent Instructions

(for all Lower School families)

After reviewing the program offerings below, complete this [short survey by Friday, Dec 15th.](#)

Who - Ski Local Programming is designed for PreK to 6th grade students.

When - '24 Winter Dates (7 total Thursdays) - [listed on the school calendar.](#)

- Jan 18 & 25
- Feb 1, 8 15, & 29
- March 7, **March 14 (make up date if needed)**

Offerings for Ski Local Thursdays:



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1. **Northstar** - 7 small group afternoon lessons from 1pm - 3pm offered for skiers and snowboards ages 4 to 12 years old. **Northstar requires WET signatures on its attached Liability and Rental forms. Complete necessary form/s (which are writable PDFs) then print and sign. Registration packet is due by Friday, Dec 15th.**

To submit your 'Ski Local Registration Packet 2024': Either **email** the completed form/s (with wet signatures, then scanned) to Eric Martin at emartin@tahoeexpeditionacademy.org Or **Sign** and turn in the completed packet to Beth Gamboa in our Lower School office.

- **Pricing** (7 weeks): *Note, lift tickets are for assigned lesson days only. If you want to buy season passes visit Northstar's website.*

Item/s	Price
Lesson Only	\$375
Lesson + Rental	\$515
Lift + Lesson	\$599
Lift + Lesson + Rental	\$739

- **Program:** 6:1 ratio of kids to instructors. Skiing or Snowboarding groups split by ability.
 - **Payment:** Will be collected by Northstar before programming begins. They typically handle payments for this programming over the phone.
2. **Other Resort** - Indicate this option if your child is skiing at a resort other than Northstar. Parent pick up to drive skiers from TEA to other resorts happens from 11:30am - 12:00pm.
 3. **Afternoon Enrichment Option + XC Skiing** - Alternatively, if your child is not skiing, they will enjoy on campus afternoon enrichments or activities. And XC Skiing off campus on select Thursdays at nearby XC trails and Resorts.
 4. **Rock Climbing at High Altitude Fitness** - Offered to K - 5th grade students only. Limited to 15, students will climb at one of the best indoor climbing facilities in the country, High Altitude Fitness in Truckee. Lessons from 12pm - 2pm, cost of \$250 for 7 sessions. [Click here to register.](#)



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Northstar Scholarship Opportunities - Very limited need based scholarship opportunities exist for this program. To apply for need based aid confidentially [please use this short form.](#)

Schedule - Below is an example itinerary for the upcoming winter season, any changes will be shared LS wide.

Downhill Skiing Schedule (Northstar or Other Resort)	
11:30am -12:00pm	Lunch and Parent Pick Up for Other Resort (LS roundabout)
12:05pm	Students load Northstar buses.
12:15pm	Buses depart TEA for Northstar.
12:30pm	Buses arrive at Northstar. Teachers, Alex and Eric chaperone students from bus to ski programming and designated ski groups / instructors.
1:00pm	Ski and snowboard sessions begin @ NS.
3:15 - 3:30pm	Northstar Ski Local lessons conclude and parent pick up begins. Parents pick up from Northstar Overlook - please see map for directions.

Enrichments & Activities Schedule (HAF & On Campus)	
11:30am -12:00pm	Lunch
12:05pm	Rock Climbing students load the bus and depart TEA for High Altitude Fitness (HAF).
12:15pm	Enrichments Begin (Art or Music + XC Skiing)
12:20pm	Rock Climbing students arrive @ HAF. Group Climbing begins.
2:00pm	Rock Climbing lessons conclude. Rock Climbers load the bus and return to campus.
2:30pm	Enrichments on campus conclude. Rock Climbing students arrive @ TEA.



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2:45pm	School ends. Normal afternoon dismissal schedule for pickup and bus. All normal bus routes will be running at this time.
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Lastly, we ask that parents respect the spirit of Ski Local Thursdays. For instance, picking up your child early and going home instead of skiing goes against the spirit and intent of this program.

Thank you,

Eric Martin
Athletics and Activities Dept.