

2011/2012 HOME SCHOOL GUIDE TO *EARN YOUR TURNS*

A PROGRAM TO REINFORCE READING, WRITING, AND RESEARCH SKILLS

* **WHAT IS THE *EARN YOUR TURNS* PROGRAM?**

Earn Your Turns is a program in which all fourth graders can enhance reading, writing, and research skills while having fun discovering New Hampshire's extensive skiing history and heritage. It was created in 1997 by the NH Association of School Principals and Ski NH.

* **WHAT ARE THE RULES?**

The rules are simple: fourth graders do some research on the history of skiing or snowboarding in New Hampshire and then share what they have learned. How they share their newfound knowledge is up to them and you. Children can write a story, draw a picture, make a model, or summarize their research in any way that would be appropriate based on your standards. We simply ask that the project meet your guidelines for a satisfactory assignment, but the final decision on qualifications to earn the passbook is up to you.

* **WHAT'S IN IT FOR MY FOURTH GRADER?**

When your child successfully completes this program he/she will be rewarded with a passbook offering a free lift ticket and cross country trail pass for each of Ski NH's 38 member areas, a \$5 "learn to ski or snowboard" package, and many other discounts for him/her, parents and siblings.

* **HOW DO I SIGN UP MY CHILD?**

Once your child has successfully completed the assignment, fill out the participation form, attach your letter of intent from your school, and fax it to us (603-745-3002) and we will send your child a Ski NH *Earn Your Turns* passbook!

* **WHAT KIND OF PROJECTS ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?**

We want the students to be creative, so that's why we are leaving it open-ended. Last year, students built models and dioramas, wrote reports, interviewed grandparents who skied, and even produced a play on the history of skiing in New Hampshire. One class did a group quilt, each student adding a piece.

* **WHEN DOES THE PROGRAM BEGIN?**

You can get your child started right away! We will start sending the passbooks out in early- December and continue through the end of the season. **For children to receive their passbooks by the December vacation period, please submit their names to us by December 9th.** We accept names all season!

* **WHERE CAN I FIND RESOURCES RELATED TO THE HISTORY OF SKIING?**

Check out the *Youth Passport* section of Ski NH's website, www.SkiNH.com. The ski areas themselves are also valuable resources. Give them a call or visit their websites; you can find links to all of them through www.SkiNH.com.

Please be sure to submit a letter of intent from YOUR AFFILIATED school district along with the completed participation forms!

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