



ELK ISLAND
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October 28th, 2014

Dear Junior High Parents,

The school year is rapidly flying by and it is important to inform you of the upcoming Junior High ski trip to Jasper/Marmot Basin Ski Resort. The annual trip is a great learning opportunity for students in terms of the Phys Ed curriculum, but it also provides a memorable social experience. The Ski Trip may make a great gift, or it could be your chance to give your child an opportunity to earn this privilege, whether it be a reward or contribution to cost.

The trip will occur on February 18th to 20th, 2015. We will leave the school around 4:00 pm on Wednesday, February 18th and return on the 20th at around 9:00pm. The students will stay in Jasper, at the Lobstick Lodge, for two nights, in groups of **four** to a room. If our numbers are not equal in your student's gender group, there is a chance that their room will have only three occupants, but this will not affect the cost. The choice of location for this year's trip allows for easy access to restaurants and shopping. As per the insurance company's demands, each child will be given a one hour lesson on either skis or a snowboard to determine or verify their capability in their sport. CSA approved ski helmets are mandatory; helmets are free with rentals on the mountain, which are available at **\$26** per day if needed.

The cost of the trip is **\$310.00** per student, which includes all transportation, a hotel room for two nights, a one hour lesson, lift tickets for two days, an evening of swimming on Wednesday, Feb 18th and complementary snacks and refreshments on the bus ride to and from the hill. Our transportation consists of a coach bus, with a DVD player and bathroom on board. A deposit of **\$100** is required in order to save a seat on the bus by no later than **November 6th, 2014**. Please be aware that this amount is non-refundable. If you decide that your child should not go, you would be reimbursed all funds except \$100, **unless** another student fills that seat on the bus, in which case you would receive a full refund. If there are funds remaining after all costs are covered, these funds will be used towards an activity for the group at a later date in the school year.

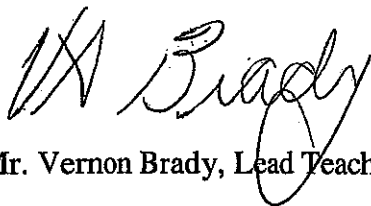
If you choose to rent here rather than at Marmot Basin, you will be responsible for picking up and dropping off of the equipment. It should be noted that helmets are not part of the rental packages attained here in the greater Edmonton area. With that said, it is not a bad idea to purchase a helmet for your child as it will last for years to come. Costco sells good quality helmets at a decent cost.

You should also be aware that if it is deemed that your child will present as a behavioral problem to the supervising staff on this trip, then the right to remove that child is retained by staff. The \$100 deposit would not be refunded in such a case, unless another participant was found to fill the reserved seat. **Any student who has received a school suspension, at any time between October 28th, 2014 and February 18th, 2015 will be subject to removal from the trip.**

If your child is interested, please send in the necessary funds and the required signed documents. Your deposit cheque should be made payable to Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School. Balances owing will be due no later than January 20th, 2015. We believe that there is a good possibility that we can fill two buses allowing 80 students to attend this wonderful event. In the event that we are unable to fill two coach buses, we will change our plan to one bus which holds 50 students and the required supervisors. All seats are reserved on a first come, first served basis. The first 80 students registered, with paid deposit, will reserve a seat; additional students will be put on a waiting list. The forms and deposit cheque **MUST** be handed in together to Mr. Brady **ONLY** who will register when the documents were handed in thus placing the student in order.

We will require three parent chaperones to help make this trip work. If you are interested in attending as a chaperone, please contact Mr. Brady at the school through his school email. (vernonb@eics.ab.ca) A letter with information for parent volunteers will be sent at a later date to those interested in volunteering. This will happen sooner than later as chaperones will need to get various checks done before they can participate in this event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "V. Brady". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "V".

Mr. Vernon Brady, Lead Teacher, Junior High Ski Trip

OLA Jasper Ski Trip Itinerary

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

3:00 – 3:45 pm	Check Bags and load Bus
3:45 – 6:30 pm	Travel to Jasper
6:30 – 7:00 pm	Check in at Lobstick Lodge
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Swimming at Jasper Community Center.
9:00 – 10:15 pm	Student Games
10:15 – 10:30 pm	Settle in your room
10:30 – 10:45 pm	Room Check
10:45 pm	Lights out

Thursday, February 19, 2015

6:30 am	Wake up call
7:15 am	On the bus
7:30 – 8:15 am	Local Restaurant for Breakfast
8:15 – 9:00 am	Travel to Marmot Basin
9:00 – 9:30 am	Unload bus and sort for ski lesson
9:30 – 10:30 am	Ski/Snowboard Lesson (Mandatory)
10:30 – 12:30 pm	Enjoy the slopes (No Terrain Park)
12:30 – 1:15 pm	Check in with Mr. Brady at the lower Chalet
1:15 – 3:30 pm	Enjoy the slopes (No Terrain Park)
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Load the bus
4:00 – 5:30 pm	Travel to Jasper for Supper
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Supper in Jasper (group split into 4 groups).
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Clean up and Games
9:00 – 9:30 pm	Travel back to Lobstick Lodge
9:30 – 10:15 pm	Settle in at Lobstick Lodge
10:15 – 11:00 pm	Room check and lights out

Activities Subject to change due to time constraints

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Friday, February 20, 2015

6:30 am	Wake up call
7:15 am	On the bus (check out completed)
7:30 – 8:15 am	Local Restaurant for Breakfast
8:15 – 9:00 am	Travel to Marmot Basin
9:00 – 9:30 am	Unload bus
9:30 – 12:30 pm	Enjoy the slopes (No Terrain Park)
12:30 – 1:15 pm	Check in with Mr. Brady at the lower Chalet
1:15 – 3:30 pm	Enjoy the slopes (No Terrain Park)
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Load the bus
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Travel to Jasper Pizza to pick up Supper
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Supper on the bus
5:30 – 10:00 pm	Travel back to OLA Catholic School
10:00 – 10:15 pm	Unload and clean the bus

See you all next Monday. Hope you had a great two days of skiing!!

**Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division #41
INFORMED CONSENT/PERMISSION FORM FOR EDUCATION TRIPS
(Students Under 18 Years)**

The OLA Catholic School Ski & Snowboard Club is arranging
(Name of School)
a field trip to Marmot Basin Ski Resort in Jasper, Alberta, Canada
(see attached letter for details)

THIS FORM MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BY EVERY STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY AND BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A PARTICIPATING STUDENT.

ELEMENTS OF RISK:

Educational activity programs may involve certain elements of risk. Injuries may occur while participating in these activities. The following list includes, but is not limited to, examples of the types of injury which may result from participating in

Describe Activity Skiing, Snowboarding and Swimming in Jasper, Alberta

Describe potential types of injury:

1. Injuries resulting from travel to and from the ski hill
2. Injuries ranging from sprains, strains, dislocated or broken bones, concussions to spinal injuries as a result of participating in the ski trip.
3. Injuries ranging from sprains and strains to dislocated or broken bones resulting from slips and falls while walking around the community.

The risk of sustaining these types of injuries result from the nature of the activity and can occur without fault of either the student, or the School Division, its employees/agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By choosing to take part in this activity, you are accepting the risk that you/your child may be injured.

The chance of an injury occurring can be reduced by carefully following instructions at all times while engaged in the activity.

The Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 41 does not provide accidental death, disability, or dismemberment or medical expense insurance on behalf of the students participating in this activity.

I give _____ permission to participate in the OLA Catholic School Ski Club Trip
(Name of student) (Description of activity)

to be held on February 18-20, 2015
(date)

By signing this form and permitting my son/daughter to participate in this field trip/excursion, I/we, as parent(s)/guardian(s) – both for myself/ourselves and on behalf of our son/daughter – acknowledge that we are aware of the risks associated with this field trip/excursion and agree to release and hold harmless Elk Island Catholic Schools Division, the School, and their respective agents, servants and employees, from and against any and all claims for damages or bodily injuries arising out of my/our son's/daughter's participation in the above authorized field trip/excursion. The Division will, however, be responsible for any injuries and damages suffered by the student while participating in this field trip/excursion that arises as a result of the negligence of the Division.

Date Name of Custodial Parent/Guardian (please print) Signature of Custodial Parent/Guardian

Please fill in the forms that apply to your child, on the next two pages.

The form for the mandatory lesson and the HICA – Exhibit 2 must be filled in by all.

Rental form is filled in only if your child will be renting equipment.

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LESSONS

Name: _____ Grade: _____

The following information for lessons is necessary:

Please check one: _____ Ski _____ Board

LEVEL (Please circle one): New Beginner Beginner Intermediate Advanced

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ON MOUNTAIN RENTALS

Fill in only if renting at Marmot: Check which rental package your child will require.

Renters Name: _____

_____ Skis/Boots/Poles/Helmet: **\$52.00 for the two days**

Age: _____ Weight: _____ lbs Height: _____ Boot Size: _____

Ability Level: (BE HONEST!)

New Beginner Beginner Intermediate Advanced

_____ Board/Boots/Helmet: **\$52.00 for the two days**

❖ If boarding only: left right foot forward

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