September 13, 2022

Dear Parents and MSSTeamers,

I hope you had an enjoyable spring and summer and are getting ready for our winter season. As we began moving back into our new normal last season, we accomplished so much within our MSST program. I saw many personal goals met, skills improved, and new lifelong enthusiasts created amongst our teams. This gives me great joy and hope for our upcoming season! Below is the information for MSST as we have been given approval to proceed. If Mother Nature is cooperative, we are planning to have our ***first day of practice on Saturday, December 10, 2022.*** Keep an eye out for emails and Facebook updates.

We are all looking forward to seeing you and hearing how you and your families are doing these days. In these changing times, we are more fluid and have to be adaptable to change, but we have planned with safety procedures in place to be able to have a **ROCKSTAR** season! Please contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, October 22, 2022	Massanutten Ski & Outdoor Gear Swap – 1st Floor of Ski Lodge (8am-12pm)
Saturday, November 12, 2022	MSST General Parent's Meeting @ 10am in Ski Lodge o *Alpine/Freeride Breakout at 12:30pm* o *Freeride Breakout at 2pm* *Team Coats can be exchanged/picked up **AFTER** both breakout meetings until **4pm.**
Wednesday, November 23, 2022 @ 4pm	**Enrollment Deadline**
Saturday, December 10, 2022	First Practice (tentative date)

Coat Pick-Up Dates

Saturday, October 22, 2022	@ Ski & Outdoor Gear Swap – 8am-12pm – 1st Level – Ski Lodge
Saturday, November 12, 2022	@ Parent's Meeting (after team breakout sessions) – Ski Lodge

TEAM PAPERWORK

Enrollment for 2022-2023 MSST membership is now open. All Race Team paperwork must be completed online.

Please see the link below "Massanutten Ski & Snowboard Team Registration" for registration instructions and online payment details. The deadline for enrollment is **Wednesday, November 23rd** at **4pm** for an athlete to be considered a member of the 2022-2023 Massanutten Ski and Snowboard Team.

FEES

RACE TEAM MEMBER COACHING FEE | $380
(Additional fees may be required for USS&S, SARA, and/or USASA memberships) All Race Team Members must pay the Coaching Fee.

A STUDENT FULL SEASON (unlimited) Pass is required for all Team Members.

FAMILY MEMBERS have the option of purchasing a FULL SEASON (unlimited) or SPECIAL VALUE PASS (restricted). Massanutten offers a discounted Family Season Pass for a family of 4. Discounted Race Team Passes are not offered this season.

All season passes must be purchased online along with Coaching Fees. Season pass fees increase on November 1 and December 11. The earlier you purchase, the more you will save.

For questions regarding fees and season passes, please call the Ski Office at 540-437-5391 or email snowinfo@massresort.com.

Massanutten Ski & Snowboard Team Registration & Online Payments |
https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/7a3347f2a8e64338a8b56a378622bb7f

MSST Website: https://www.massresort.com/play/snow-sports/snow-team-sports-and-racing/

SKI SWAP INFORMATION

We are planning to hold the Massanutten Ski & Outdoor Gear Swap on **Saturday, October 22, 2022** on the first floor of the Ski Lodge from 8am to 12pm. You can drop off gear to be sold on Friday October 21 from 5-7pm or Saturday, October 22 starting at 8am.

We will need assistance running this event. If you are interested in helping out this day, please RSVP to alpinemsst@gmail.com. Reminder that this is a fundraiser for our team and since we are limited in our fundraisers, we hope to make this one a huge hit! So, start pulling out your gear and making your shopping lists so you can be ready for Snowsports Season 2022-2023!

Information: https://www.massresort.com/play/snow-sports/snow-specials/

TEAM COAT RETURN & INVENTORY

This is the **last** year we will be offering a Team Coat as part of our organization. We need to use our funds to support the purchase of team equipment and supplies. We will be offering opportunities for coat pickup and exchanges this season, but some sizes are limited or might not be available to your athlete.

Athletes may purchase their own **SOLID BLACK** coat and have it embroidered with the included and approved MSST Team Logo. This gives you the freedom to choose the jacket option that best fits your

athlete's needs and preferences. We ask that you adhere to the team dress code while representing MSST at practices and events.

- **MSST Embroidery Files**

We will also provide the opportunity for you to order and purchase Official MSST hoodies and t-shirts once this is finalized and set up with the team wear company. Once the link is active for this season it will be sent out by email and on the Facebook Page and Team Snap.

If you are a returning team member and wish to keep your coat from last year, there is no action required at this time. For new members or members who needs to exchange/return coats we will be holding our Coat Return/Exchange on the date of the **Ski & Outdoor Gear Swap (Oct. 22)** and **Saturday, November 12 AFTER the team breakout sessions until 4pm** in the Ski Lodge.

- All coats will be available to purchase this season for $50/coat.
- ***PLEASE!*** All MSSTeamers **not returning** this season **MUST** return their MSST team coat by **Friday, November 19**.
- Coats will NOT be given out the mornings before practice.
- If you miss coat pick up, we ask that you please arrange with Sandy, Samantha, or Elizabeth to find a time to arrange a pick up.

We ask parents to volunteer for Event and Practice duties and have completed paperwork and payment before coats can go home with athletes.

Before turning in a coat for exchange/return you MUST do the following:

- Empty all pockets, Remove tickets and wickets.
- Repair minor damage.
- WASH, ***DO NOT*** * **DRY CLEAN** your coat. **Washing instructions are found on a tag on the lower interior of your coat.**
- We will not accept **unwashed** or **damaged** coats with tickets attached for exchange.
- We will not assign a different coat until the previously worn coat is determined no longer eligible for service.

PARENT'S MEETING

Our MSST Parent's Meeting will be in person this year. We are keeping with this model because it allows us to talk to both Alpine and Freestyle Breakout Sessions so families who have athletes in both teams may attend. Our General MSST meeting will be on **Saturday November 13 at 10am.** The **Alpine Breakout will be at 12:30pm** and the **Freeride Breakout will start at 2pm**. We will attempt to record and post links to all meetings through email and Facebook.

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Parents, we do appreciate your support of the Massanutten Ski and Snowboard Team! We are very proud of our MSST Family Community. Your efforts fundraising on behalf of the team enables us to provide team wear for MSST, as well as to purchase equipment and supplies that enable us to provide more opportunities to better train our athletes. It also provides you an opportunity to get to know other MSST families.

*For the 2022-2023 Snowsports season, we are requiring you to schedule **4** volunteer days total: at either regular practices or helping at Massanutten race events. Our MSST teams also utilizes Team Snap to communicate about upcoming events and practices.*

MSST Alpine will be hosting events this season on the following dates:

- January 7 All Class Slalom

- January 8 All Class Giant Slalom
- February 25 U16-21/M Champs Slalom
- February 26 U16-21/M Champs Giant Slalom

These events take a lot of volunteer help. Attached is the MSST VOLUNTEER Signup.com. Please take some time and look over the help we need and let us know if you have any questions about them.

- MSST VOLUNTEER Signup 2223

MASSANUTTEN SKI AND SNOWBOARD TEAM WEAR

We are **requiring** that all athletes proudly display their Massanutten Ski and Snowboard Team identity and spirit by wearing their official **approved MSST** coat or hoodie/pullover/shell to **ALL** practices and events. Please see that you obtain their **MSST** coat in a timely manner **if you intend to participate on December 10** (*tentative start date subject to weather*)**.**

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