



Outdoors for All – Winter Operations 2021 FAQ

Participants:

1. When will winter registration open?

Registration will open at 12pm on Monday, November 2nd.

2. What is the Essential Eligibility Criteria?

The Essential Eligibility Criteria are the minimum entry standards for all staff, volunteers, and participants to join Outdoors for All programs while our community is still impacted by COVID-19. We recognize that these policies may prevent or limit the participation of some past and nearly all new participants & volunteers. These standards align with State and Federal public health policies regarding social distancing, mask wearing, and group size limitations.

The complete list of EEC and Safety Protocols can be found here: <https://outdoorsforall.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/COVID-19-EEC.pdf>.

3. Are DDA funds being accepted in the winter of 2021?

No, changes in programming, such as reduced session times and the elimination of transportation, has made Outdoors for All unable to accept DDA funds for program payment for the 2021 season. We hope to again accept DDA summer 2021.

We are offering up to 80% financial aid. To apply for financial aid, complete the application found here: <https://outdoorsforall.org/programs/registration-participants-volunteers/>.

4. How much do programs cost?

	Summit Downhill	Summit Nordic	Stevens Downhill
Tuition	\$370	\$380	\$380
Equipment Rental (Full Season)	\$125	\$80	\$125
Season Pass/Lift Tickets	\$335*	\$335*	\$335*

*This price is approximate to include tax

A complete list of lesson options and fees can be found here: <https://outdoorsforall.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Winter-2021-Fee-Matrix.pdf>.

5. Is transportation available?

Transportation is not available for any program for the 2020-2021 winter season.

6. Will instructors ride the chair lift with participants?

Yes, instructors will ride the chair lift with their student. As much social distancing as possible will be maintained. Instructors will assist with adaptive equipment, such as harnesses and sit skis when needed. Both Stevens Pass and the Summit at Snoqualmie have reduced chair lift capacity to maintain better social distancing.

7. When and where is sit skiing available?

Sit skiing is available on Friday nights and Saturdays at the Summit, and on Sundays at Stevens Pass.

8. Can participants rent our adaptive equipment to go up skiing on their own?

Yes, please contact rentals@outdoorsforall.org for more information. Participants must have participated with Outdoors for All previously or have a recommendation from another adaptive sports organization to vouch for their past experience in adaptive skiing.

9. **My child/family member/household member is a participant, and I am a past winter volunteer. Can I volunteer as the instructor for my child/family member/household member's?**
Trained and current volunteer instructors (training must have been completed this year) can instruct family/household members in Outdoors for All programs or may assist in the lesson.
10. **How will equipment rentals and fittings work, especially since participants need to be snow ready when they arrive to their lessons?**
Rental equipment fittings will be pre-season, and by appointment, at our Magnuson Park. Outdoors for All staff will contact participants to schedule an equipment fitting after registration is confirmed.

Volunteers:

1. **When will volunteer registration open?**
Registration will open at 12pm on Monday, October 26th.
2. **What is the Essential Eligibility Criteria?**
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3. **What will volunteer training look like this year?**
This year volunteer training will include a mix of pre-recorded trainings, virtual live trainings, and on-mountain trainings. We will conduct most of the trainings virtually to limit in-person contact. Volunteers will still need to attend 1 day of on-mountain training during first two weekends of December. More information about volunteer training will be available when volunteer registration opens.
In previous years, volunteers were required to attend 1-4 days of on-mountain training depending on years of experience.
4. **Are volunteers discouraged from carpooling together?**
Outdoors for All does not have a policy regarding volunteer or participant carpools outside of Outdoors for All programming. We recommend using your best judgement and consider your personal transportation when registering to volunteer.
5. **Will volunteers be able to purchase discounted season passes?**
 - Summit full time instructors** (7+ full days of instruction) qualify for a discounted instructor pass valid ONLY at Snoqualmie Pass. This is NOT an Icon pass and does not include Alpentel on weekends.
 - Stevens Pass full time instructors** (7+ full days of instruction) qualify for a discounted instructor season pass valid ONLY at Stevens Pass. This is NOT an Epic pass.
 - Daily lift tickets** (only valid on day of programs) are available at no charge for instructors that choose not to purchase a discounted season pass.

Skihawks:

1. **How many of the Summit Saturday downhill lesson spots are for Skihawk athletes and how many are for recreation participants?**

Morning sessions will have 8 spots for recreation participants and 7 spots for Skihawks. Afternoon sessions will have 7 spots for recreation participants and 8 spots for Skihawks.

*subject to change based on registration and Instructor availability.

2. **How many of the Summit Saturday Nordic spots are for Skihawks and how many are for recreation participants?**

Nordic will have 10 spots for Recreation ski/snowshoe and 10 spots for Skihawks.

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3. **Because Outdoors for All's 2020/2021 winter programs are limited to returning participants, can returning participants who have NOT previously participated in Skihawks join the team?**

All returning participants, regardless of past participation in Skihawks, can register for the team, but athlete approval will go through the Skihawks coaches.

4. **Will Skihawk athletes be restricted from signing up for both AM and PM spots?**

Yes. Skihawk athletes and recreation participants are only able to sign up for one session.

5. **What will Skihawks look like this year? Will athletes be competing this year or only training?**

Contact Skihawk lead coach for more information.

6. **What does athlete and coach matching look like if the team is not competing? Who will be in charge of matching?**

The Skihawks lead coaches will do matching as most athletes and coaches have unique, longstanding relationships. Pre-established coach/athlete relationships are advantageous to our COVID-19 operations due to the familiarity coaches will have with their athletes on snow.

For any additional questions related to participants, please contact info@outdoorsforall.org.

All volunteer questions can be sent to volunteer@outdoorsforall.org.