



2009-2010

**WILD CAT CLUB
PARENT HANDBOOK**

Wild Cat Philosophy: At Wild Mountain, our goal is to provide your children with a learning environment that is safe, fun and promotes a positive self-image. We believe the strength of our program is our dedicated and caring Instructors. Each lesson is designed to improve skills, enhance knowledge of safety, and improve snowsports etiquette in our wildcat participants. We encourage parents to give children an opportunity to demonstrate what they have learned in Wild Cat lessons.

Where to meet: Please meet at the Snowsports School bell located just south of the chalet. There will be colored signs that are shaped to look like lollipops with a “Wiley the Wild Cat” face on them, organized by the color for each level of Wild Cats.

Yellow = Kitty Cat

Purple = Cool Cat

Orange = Tiger Cat

Blue = Alley Cat

Red = Cheshire Cat

Green = Top Cat

Instructors will meet your Wildcat(s) by the Wiley “lollipops”.

*****Snowboarders will meet at the Wiley Snowboard Sign*****

When to meet: Our morning lessons will be from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm and our afternoon lessons will be from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm. We ask that children arrive at the appropriate lollipop 15 minutes prior to their session start time. If your child requires a lift pass or equipment rental, please arrive 30 minutes prior to the beginning of class.

*******Please be sure your children use the restroom before they attend class. *******

Departure: Please meet your child back at their Wild Cat “lollipop” at 12:30 after the morning lesson or at 3:30pm after the afternoon lesson.

(For security reasons we ask that a parent or designated person pick children up.)

Clothing and Equipment: Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Snow pants, hats, goggles, and sturdy mittens are a necessity. Equipment should be safe and fitted for your child.

If you are unsure about what is appropriate, please contact us before the start of the lesson and we can assist you. We recommend the use of a properly sized skis or boards.

Behavioral Issues: We ask that all students be respectful and considerate of their peers and instructors. If we find that there is a student that does not listen, or will not follow the rules they will be asked to come inside and sit down through part of the lesson. Inappropriate behavior in class may lead to expulsion from future classes.

Helmets: Helmets are a matter of personal choice. If you have questions about whether or not a helmet is suitable for your child we encourage you to visit www.lidsonkids.org. *We now sell helmets at Wild Mountain.*

Bathroom: Please have your child use the restroom before class.

Hot Chocolate Break: Approximately midway through the lesson, students will take a break for hot cocoa or water.

Pictures: Individual pictures will be taken at our end of the year Picnic/Carnival for all of this seasons Wild Cats. Forms will be available on our website prior to the Carnival.

End of the Session: On the last day of class we will provide all Wild Cats with a certificate for completing their lessons and let them know what class level they will be in for the following season.

If you have a question or concern regarding any aspect of our Wild Cat program please contact either of us prior to classes or after classes. Please email snowports@wildmountain.com or call Denny Cunningham, Snowsports director or Amanda O'Phelan Snowsports Administrator by email at: amanda@wildmountain.com or by phone at 651-465-6315.

Without the help and support of the students and parents involved, we cannot continue to grow and improve your Wild Cat program. Your comments and suggestions are welcome and encouraged at anytime. At the end of the season a brief survey will be distributed to all students; please take the time with your Wildcat to honestly and accurately evaluate the Wild Cat Program. Your input makes a difference.

Responsibility Code:

1. Always stay in control.
2. People ahead of you have the right of way.
3. Stop in a safe place for you and others.
4. Whenever starting downhill or merging, look uphill and yield.
5. Use devices to prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe signs and warnings, and keep off closed trails.
7. Know how to use the lifts safely.

Know the Code. It's your responsibility.