



NITEHAWK

YEAR-ROUND ADVENTURE PARK

*2024-25 Winter School
Group Information
Package*

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Welcome to another exciting winter season at Nitehawk Year-Round Adventure Park! We are delighted to offer tailored **Learn to Ski and Snowboard programs**, along with **Ski and Snowboard Improvement** courses specifically designed for **Grades 4 to 12**. These programs not only promote physical fitness and skill development but also foster teamwork and perseverance among students.

For our youngest learners, from **Kindergarten to Grade 3**, the Four Lane **Aquatera Tube Zone** provides a thrilling and safe environment for fun and engagement.

We invite you to consider Nitehawk as a destination for your class outings this winter. Let's create memorable experiences that your students will cherish while they learn and grow in a beautiful outdoor setting!

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How to Find Us

Nitehawk Year Round Adventure Park is just a quick 10-minute drive (17 km) south of Grande Prairie.

To get here: head south on Highway 40. After crossing the bridge, take an immediate right turn. At the stop sign, turn left and ascend the hill. Once you pass the gravel road, Nitehawk will be your first right turn. Follow the signs, and you'll be ready to dive into a day of fun and excitement!

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Welcome to our information pack! Inside, you'll find a collection of booking forms, and essential details designed to simplify the organization of your upcoming visit. We encourage you to take a moment to thoroughly review the contents of this booklet, as it contains valuable information that will contribute to a smooth and enjoyable experience for everyone.

It's crucial that all group coordinators, teachers, and supervisors familiarize themselves with this information to ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience for everyone involved.

If you have any questions or need further clarification on any aspect, please don't hesitate to reach out.

We're here to help make your visit a success!

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GENERAL TRIP INFORMATION

Nitehawk's School Programs are available to be booked on the following days:

Tuesday -	9:00am to 2:00pm
Wednesday -	9:00am to 2:00pm
Thursday -	9:00am to 2:00pm
Friday -	9:00am to 2:00pm

Requirements

Nitehawk requires a minimum of **150 students** to open the ski area and **40 students** for the tube zone during school booking hours. If your school group has fewer than the required numbers, we will combine bookings with other small groups, accommodating up to a maximum of 300 students. Please note that we reserve the right to cancel a school booking if the total attendance falls below 100 students due to cancellations.

School Registration

To ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience at Nitehawk, we kindly ask that all student registrations be completed online at least **TWO WEEKS** prior to your scheduled trip. This advance notice allows us to schedule our certified instructors, prepare kitchen supplies, arrange rental equipment, and secure lift tickets for all participants. Thank you for your cooperation!





ARRIVAL

Arrival at Nitehawk between 9:15 AM and 9:30 AM is required to allow time for equipment rentals and student grouping. Upon arrival all students, staff and guardians are asked to wait on the bus to be greeted by a Nitehawk representative, who will deliver a SAFETY TALK to the Students; along with instructions about the procedures for obtaining their rental equipment and lesson grouping.

Please Note: Lift Tickets/Boots will be grouped by Grade in the Rental Shop.

Any students tubing should be on the same bus as they are driven to the lower chalet and picked up there.

Depending on arrival time, number of Students and number of Rental Equipment size changes/updates, we anticipate having all Students on SNOW between 10:30 AM & 10:45 AM. With excellent information given to us we often can have students on snow by 10:00 AM.

LIFT TICKET

- All individuals—teachers, students, supervisors, and parent volunteers—must wear a valid area pass while at Nitehawk Year-Round Adventure Park.
- Teachers and supervisors who are not participating in skiing, snowboarding, or tubing with their group but wish to assist outdoors are required to wear a foot pass, which is available for FREE. We encourage strong support and presence from our school community, which is why these passes are complimentary!
- Please ensure that lift tickets are securely attached to ski pants or jackets in a visible area.

AQUATERA TUBE ZONE

- Students, Teachers & Supervisors Tubing should all be on the same bus together, as they will be driven to the bottom chalet.
- Once at the bottom chalet students will receive their Lift Pass and be Fitted for a helmet.
- Students will receive a tube to use for their time at Nitehawk.

RENTALS

After receiving their area pass, students needing rentals proceed to the rental shop. All others with their own equipment should head straight to the snow school meeting place to wait for lessons.

- Boots will be organized by grade. Students will find their boots with their name on the label and ask for help getting them on if need be. *Ski Poles are not given out to Never Ever Skiers.*
- After receiving their boots, students will be fitted for a helmet, and should proceed to the exit where they will find their skis or snowboard on the racks out front of the deck. Teachers/supervisors **MUST** record ALL their equipment numbers.
- After renting, students proceed to exit the door on their right to the snow school meeting place, where they will be divided up accordingly for their lessons in front of the appropriate sign.

LESSONS



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Never Ever



Level 1.



Level 2.



Level 3.

At Nitehawk Year-round Adventure Park, in accordance with Alberta Education policy, all students are required to take a lesson. The duration of these lessons will vary based on arrival time and each student's skill level.

Level One Students may be encouraged to continue their lesson after lunch, engaging in guided practice in a designated area. Instructors will be available from 12:30 PM until the last run for this purpose.

Level Two and **Three** Students will have the option to participate in lessons after lunch, with the opportunity for free skiing in the morning. To help distinguish ability levels, helmet covers will be provided to all students.

All Nitehawk instructors are certified by the Canadian Ski Instructors Alliance (C.S.I.A) and the Canadian Association of Snowboard Instructors (C.A.S.I), ensuring high-quality instruction.

*We recognize that some students may face challenges learning in a group setting, whether due to mental or physical disabilities or behavioral issues. If any group members require special attention, please communicate this **in advance** to Nitehawk's school group coordinator. This allows us to prepare our instructors and, with the support of the students' Educational Assistants (EAs), provide the necessary attention and care.*



HELMET COVERS



NO COVER - CARPETS ONLY
RUNS: BOBS BUMP, TUBE ZONE



YELLOW - PLATTER LIFT ONLY
RUNS: WILLOW-O-WAY



GREEN - ALL LIFTS
RUNS: EASY STREET, WILLOW-O-WAY)



BLUE - ALL LIFTS
RUNS: EASY STREET, TEMPTATION



RED - ALL LIFTS
RUNS: SHOW-OFF, TEMPTATION



BLACK - ALL LIFTS
RUNS: ALL OPEN



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SUPERVISION

- Students **MUST** be supervised at all times, on the hill and in the lodge.
- Nitehawk Year-round Adventure Park **Requires a ratio of 1:10; 1 supervisor for every 10 students.**
- Complimentary passes and rentals are given for free supervisor area passes and rentals for **SUPERVISORS** only. *Additional supervisors pay the discounted group rate price.*

SUPERVISORS

Supervisors are needed to assist instructors with beginner ski and snowboard students on a **1:10 ratio**. After the lessons are complete Adult Supervisors are to **ACTIVELY SUPERVISE** the students in all the areas students are riding. It is highly recommend that you use the planning sheet included in this package for organizing your staff and parent volunteers. We have found that schools who implement this suggestion have a more successful and enjoyable day at Nitehawk with their students.

SAFETY

Each participant will receive a copy of the Alpine Responsibility Code. Reckless behavior, on or off the hill, will not be tolerated. Nitehawk Year-Round Adventure Park follows safety guidelines set by the Canada West Ski Areas Association and Alberta Education. We are committed to providing a safe environment for winter sports. Nitehawk reserves the right to revoke area passes for violations of the Alpine Responsibility Code.



Ski & Snowboard Trail Levels

The designation of run difficulty is set by each ski area individually.

Skiers and riders should be advised that a Green Circle, Blue, Square or Black Diamond trails are not necessarily the same as a similarly rated trail at another area.

Skiers and riders should work their way up, beginning with the easiest trails, no matter what their ability level may be, until they are familiar with the trails at each ski area.

Signage

When visiting a ski area, the premise is not limited to the ski runs - many ski areas will have day lodges, parking lots, restaurants, tube/tobogganing areas, terrain parks, walkways, access roads and other ski area facilities.

You will come across signage throughout the ski area premise that are important to respect and understand. Please pay close attention to all signage. It is present for the safety of both guests and employees. Failing to follow the directions on these signs may result in the loss of your ticket or pass.

It is your responsibility to be always aware of Ski Area signage.

Marking, Flagging, Fencing

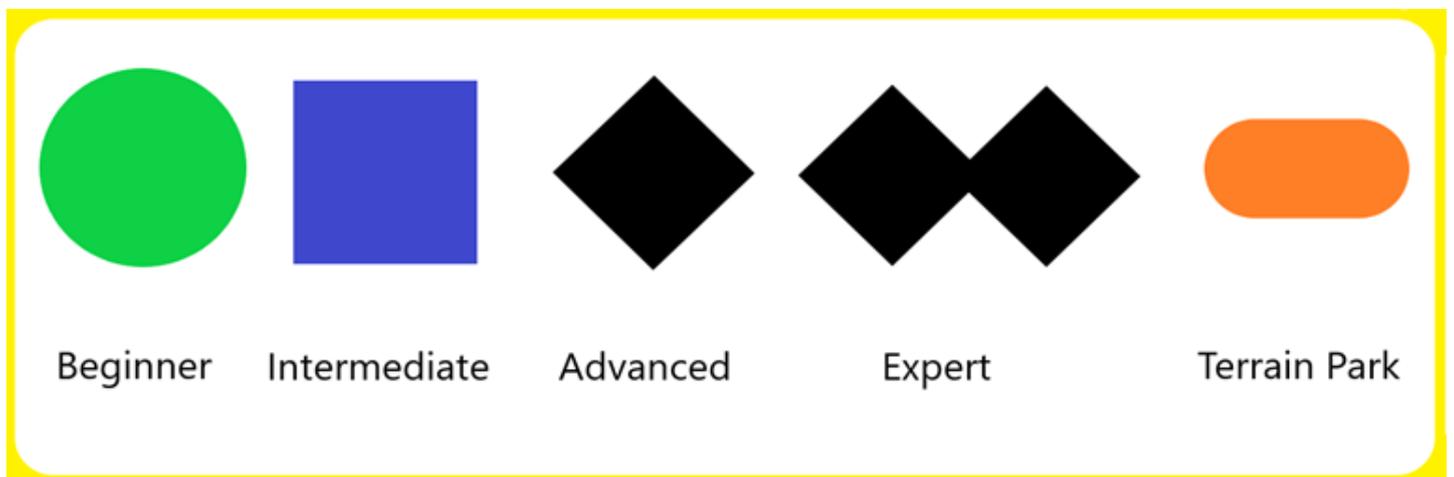
There are several different signs and markers to indicate conditions, boundaries and warnings on the Ski Area Premise.

All poles, flags, fencing, signage and padding on equipment or objects or other forms of marking devices are used by the ski area to inform you of the presence or location of a potential obstacle or hazard.

These markers are no guarantee of your safety and will not protect you from injury.

It is part of your responsibility under the Alpine Responsibility Code to avoid all obstacles or hazards, including those that are so marked. Inbound terrain includes natural hazards including cliffs and cornices.

Ski with caution, unmarked objects and hazards may exist.



Skiers, snowboarders, and tubers should be ready for a range of weather conditions at Nitehawk this winter. Dressing appropriately is key to enjoying your time on the slopes.

Opt for multiple layers of non-restrictive clothing that can be added or removed as temperatures change. Choose moisture-wicking fabrics for your base layer and insulating materials for warmth, topped off with a waterproof outer layer. Don't forget accessories like gloves and hats to keep warm. Dressing thoughtfully will ensure you stay comfortable, no matter the weather!



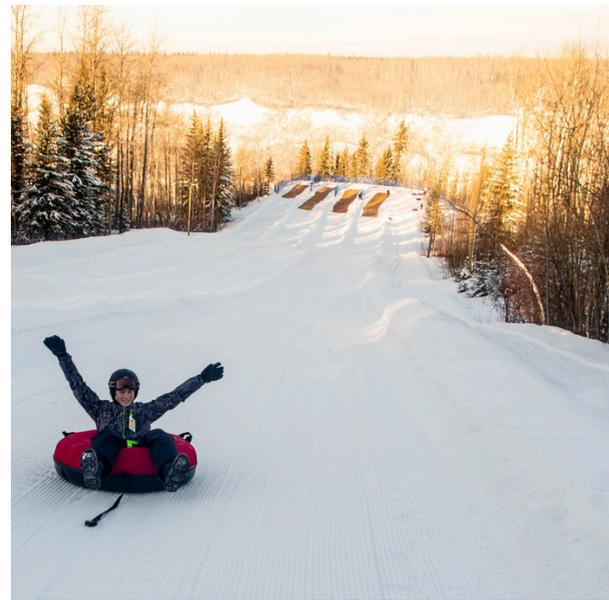
We Recommend Wearing:

- Warm Water Resistant Jacket
- Warm Water Resistant Snowpants
- Warm Water Resistant Gloves
- Neck Warmer or Balaclava
- Long Underwear or warm base layer
- Goggles or Sun Glasses
- Warm Wool Socks
- Toque or Hat
- Helmets *included in rental package

REQUIRED INFORMATION

*VERY IMPORTANT FOR STUDENTS RENTAL EQUIPMENT

- **Ability** (use the attached ability guide)
- **Age & Gender**
- **Height** (Feet & Inches)
- **Weight** (LBS)
- **Shoe/Boot Size**



ABILITY GUIDE

Skiing

Level 1.	has never been on skis before and cannot do the snowplow
level 2.	Can do snowplow turns on green & Blue Runes
Level 3.	Do parallel turns on blue and black diamond runs

Snowboarding

Level 1.	Has never been snowboarding before, cannot do heel edge.
level 2.	Can do heel edge down green and blue runs, can use the platter lift
Level 3.	Can do full turns on blue or black diamond runs

Student Cancellations

ALL school group bookings are non-refundable unless we receive at least **48 hours'** **advance notice** given due to illness.

Should your child be unable to attend due to illness, please contact us with at least 48 hours' notice sent by email to schoolgroups@gonitehawk.com. A **\$10.00** administration fee will be charged on all refunds

The email time stamp in Nitehawk's inbox will be the deciding factor, with a cutoff of 9:00 AM, 48 hours before your child's scheduled visit.

Refunds, when applicable, will be processed within 7-10 business days. Please ensure you include the email address used for the original booking in your request.

For any cancellation requests, kindly reach out to us at schoolgroups@gonitehawk.com.

Weather Cancellations

At Nitehawk, we monitor weather conditions closely and close when temperatures and wind chill drop below -30°C . To facilitate timely decisions, early morning weather confirmations can be arranged between school administration and Nitehawk staff for a "go or no-go" determination. We will exchange **cell numbers** with your appointed school representative to facilitate any last-minute decisions.

If you are unable to reach Nitehawk's School Group Coordinator, contact:

- **Jamie Pasmore, Adventure School Manager at 780.518.8709**
- **Johnathan Clarkson, General Manager, at 780.505.1457**

We kindly request that school representatives call us by 7:00 AM on the day of your visit in the event of a school-initiated cancellation. This allows us adequate time to notify our staff and manage their shifts accordingly.

For real-time weather updates from the top of the ski hill, please visit: [Nitehawk Weather Forecast](#).

2024-25 PRICING



PACKAGE	PRICE
A - Lift, Pass, Rental, Ski or Snowboard Lesson	\$47.00
B - Lift, Pass & Ski or Snowboard Lesson	\$35.00
C - Tubing (includes tube & helmet)	\$17.00

Please Note: Nitehawk season Passes, Lift Ticket Vouchers and Snow Passes **CANNOT** be used in the place of the Lift Pass Fee.

All our pricing does not include GST and can be found Above. Payments will be made online at time of registration.

One free Adult Supervisor Lift Pass and Equipment Rental will also be provided for every 12 students registered (i.e. 100 students = 8 Free Supervisors). Should you have more Adult Supervisors than allowed for free, their fee will be a Lift Pass price of \$10.00 each, with Rental Equipment price of \$12.00 each.



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GROUP MEAL FORM

ALL MEALS INCLUDE 1 MAIN, 1 MILK OR 1 JUICE BOX OR 1 FOUNTAIN POP,
1 COOKIE AND APPLE SLICES

\$15 PER MEAL *GST INCLUDED

Choice		Quantity
A	Hot Dog	
B	Chicken Burger	
C	Cheeseburger	
D	Taco in a Bag	

PLEASE NOTE:

- All meal orders will be included in the online registration.
- Orders will not be taken on day of booking date



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ALPINE RESPONSIBILITY CODE



THERE ARE ELEMENTS OF RISK THAT COMMON SENSE AND PERSONAL AWARENESS CAN HELP REDUCE. ALWAYS SHOW COURTESY TO OTHERS. PLEASE ADHERE TO THE CODE LISTED BELOW AND SHARE WITH OTHERS THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A SAFE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE.

- 1** Always stay in control. You must be able to stop or avoid people or objects.
- 2** People ahead or downhill of you have the right-of-way. You must avoid them.
- 3** Stop only where you are visible from above and do not restrict traffic.
- 4** Look uphill and avoid others before starting downhill or entering a trail.
- 5** You must prevent runaway equipment.
- 6** Read and obey all signs, warnings and hazard markings.
- 7** Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
- 8** You must know how and be able to load, ride and unload lifts safely. If you need assistance, ask the lift attendant.
- 9** Do not use lifts or terrain when impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- 10** If you are involved in a collision or incident, share your contact information with each other and a ski area employee.

Know the Code - It is Your Responsibility



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