



## **Snow Valley Ski Buddy Program**

We are looking for individuals who would be willing to volunteer a couple of days a month to be a Ski Buddy for children participating in a Ski day excursion with their school but require additional attention while learning to ski. The standard school group lesson may not always be suitable for all children due to physical, mental or behavioural disabilities so the Ski Buddy program makes skiing accessible to as many children as possible.

Ski Buddies are not required to be qualified ski instructors, they only need to be confident, patient, able-bodied skiers who enjoy working with children. Volunteering to be a Ski Buddy does not obligate anyone to put a set number of days or hours into the program. When a school makes a request for a Ski Buddy, we send out a request to the program's volunteers and those who are available are buddied up with the students who need them. School groups come to Snow Valley Monday to Friday, arriving around 9:00 a.m. and departing around 2:00 p.m.

As a Ski Buddy, volunteers receive a complimentary day pass to Snow Valley, a coupon for a complimentary hot beverage, and for every three days of volunteering, a coupon for a complimentary ski wax and sharpening. But more importantly, Ski Buddies show the students who face challenges that they can do the same activities as their classmates and nurtures confidence in their abilities.

If this interests you, or you want more information, please contact:

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