



# Snow Carnival Fact Sheet



## **Dear Teachers, Group Leaders and Parents:**

**The Greensboro Ice House invites you to a unique field trip experience for Pre-School through First Grade students, as well as Mom's Morning Out groups, that is both educational and fun!**

**The outing begins with show and tell time to help children discover the equipment associated with hockey and figure skating. This hands-on time allows kids to see skating costumes, hockey jerseys, sticks and pucks. They'll learn the difference between hockey and figure skating blades and get to know a bit about equipment care.**

**Story time is up next with children listening to a story about winter adventures including sled rides, ice skating and warming up with hot cocoa and cookies! Field trip students will enjoy those same activities at our Snow Carnival along with playing in a heap of fresh snow!**

**We hope you'll consider a Snow Carnival for your group this school year! We've answered a few common questions below, but feel free to contact us @ 336-852-1515 with any additional questions you may have.**

### **What should children wear?**

Children should wear long pants, long socks, a long sleeve shirt and a sweater or sweatshirt. Jackets are highly recommended along with mittens or gloves and a hat. The temperature inside the rink ranges from 40 to 50 degrees so please dress kids for chilly weather and help them fully enjoy the experience by bundling them with outerwear including gloves and hats. For kids returning to school, a change of dry clothes is recommended.

### **Will the children actually be able to skate?**

Yes! Kids will be introduced to the ice slowly ~ first with rides on our popular, giant, Santa-like sleds and then playing in our snow pile. We have skate pushers to assist little ones on the ice and coaches will lead on-ice activities including some basic skating pointers.

### **Are teachers, group leaders and/or chaperones permitted to skate?**

Of course! All adults are welcome and encouraged to participate in on-ice activities, free of charge. While it's helpful to have teachers and group leaders on the ice, it is not required. Chaperones may watch students from our heated, viewing area. We do ask that teachers and chaperones help students get skates on and tied as well as help students return skates at the conclusion of the event.

### **How do I book a Snow Carnival?**

Snow Carnivals must be booked at least 7 days in advance. Reservations require a \$40 deposit and are taken via telephone with a credit card by calling the Greensboro Ice House at 852-1515, or they may be made in person with any form of payment. The \$40 deposit will be applied to your group's balance and deducted from your total bill at the conclusion of the event.

A minimum of 10 students at \$8 each is required. Groups with more than 10 children pay \$7 per student for additional participants. Adults who are not included to achieve the 10 person minimum, may participate in the on-ice activities free of charge. The cup of hot cocoa and a cookie are included in the price for paying participants. Non-paying adults who wish to enjoy the treats may purchase these items from our snack counter.

Groups with less than 10 students and/or adults may still book a Snow Carnival, but will be charged the \$80 rate.

The \$40 deposit will be forfeited for failure to cancel any reservation at least 48 hours in advance. If the participant's school closes or is on delay due to inclement weather, the Snow Carnival will be rescheduled at a mutually agreed upon date and the \$40 deposit will be transferred such alternate date.

Snow Carnivals are very popular so we encourage you to book early!