**2020 / 2021 SARS COVID-19 Refund Policy:**

Our goal is to be as transparent as possible with our valued membership as we navigate these challenging times. SARS will attempt to facilitate a productive and efficient program this winter in a manner that is as safe, responsible, and mindful of the ongoing health concerns related to COVID-19. As in years past, our tuition payment will be due in full at the time of registration unless other arrangements are made with the SARS Program Director. October 15th is the program registration deadline.

**SARS COVID-19 Refund Policy:**

SARS will refund tuition payment if the program length is reduced to 12 weeks or less, due to COVID-19 related cessation or reduction of operations at Schweitzer Mountain Resort (SMR). The program start is defined as the scheduled start date of the SARS Youth Programs. Tuition refunds will be prorated as follows:

**SARS COVID-19 Refund Proration:**

*A typical SARS Alpine team season is 17 weekends of training, exclusive of camps.*

* 12 – 17+ weekends of operation – no refunds
* 7 – 11 weekends of operation – 40% refund
* 1-6 weekends of operation – 60% refund
* 0 weekends of operation – 80% refund

Any COVID related refunds deemed necessary will be declared at or near the time of announcements made by the resort and / or SARS program. That portion kept by SARS will be used to support full time employees and the administrative functions needed to keep the program viable for upcoming years.

If USSS, FIS, and / or IFSA do not have sanctioned events this winter, but SMR continues to operate, SARS will also plan for normal program operations consisting of skill development through training, free skiing, and intra-program competitions.