

SPAC Parent Conference

Parent Survival Guide



July 10-12, 2023

Are you as excited as we are?!

The Title I State Parent Advisory Council (SPAC) is excited that you will be joining us at Seven Springs Mountain Resort for the Title I SPAC Parents Conference this year! The conference will be held Monday, July 10th through Wednesday, July 12th, 2023, in Champion, PA. Below you will find directions, instructions and a few DON'T FORGET items. Please read this survival guide closely, this information will help you with your planning.

Your room is reserved. Meals are planned. Kids Camp workers are ready to go!

ALL guests will be REQUIRED to provide a debit or credit card at check-in. The debit or credit card will only be charged if you make charges to your room (ex: room service, in-room movies, etc.)

What do we do when we get there?

Overnight guests may check-in AFTER 4:00 pm on Monday, July 10th.

You will get a parking pass to display on your car's rear view mirror when you pick up your room key. Check-out time is 11:00 am on Wednesday, July 12th. You should pack your bags in the morning (or the night before) to allow for a timely check-out.

Monday, July 10th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm in Resort Lobby please:

- Pick-up your Conference Registration Packet.
- Get your **FREE** Family Memory Photo taken! (*Prints can be picked-up before dinner on Tuesday, July 11th outside of the Dining Hall*)
- Don't forget your child's FREE book!

If you are commuting to the conference, come directly to STAG PASS in the Conference Center anytime after 7:00 am on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Presentations Start at 8:45 am Tuesday and Wednesday

What to wear, what to wear.

Casual clothes, of course! You will be walking A LOT for the conference, sneakers are highly recommended as well as clothes that you are comfortable in. We realize slacks and jackets aren't what you want to be in all day. Wear jeans and a hoodie. Shorts and a T-shirt. Wear whatever you are comfortable in, again, this conference is FOR YOU. Because it is usually chillier in the mountains, we recommend bringing a sweatshirt or hoodie and one pair of long pants, especially for the children attending Kids Camp.

Who are you representing?

On Tuesday, we are asking that you show your school or district pride by wearing some swag or your school or district colors.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER!

Children MUST wear sneakers to Kids Camp.

NO SNEAKERS = NO KIDS CAMP!

- Please be sure to apply sunscreen to your child's skin each morning prior to Kids Camp!
- Your child is to wear their swimsuit underneath their clothes for Kids Camp, please pack a towel and underwear/change of clothes for afterwards.

Will I have any out-of-pocket expenses at the conference?

Seven Springs is a cashless resort.

You will need a debit or credit card to make any purchases.

Funding from the federal government supports this conference, and there are rules about what SPAC can pay for. You are responsible for paying for any of these consumables or services that your family uses:

- Meals for any family members you choose to bring with you who are not registered participants. If you did not pre-pay for conference meals, your guest can pay for dinner (on their own) at one of the hotel restaurants or dine off-site (on their own). Note: The meals provided to you as a conference participant are only good for the meals associated with the conference. There are no refunds for unused meals. If you take the family off-site and chose not to use your conference meals for yourself and other family members on site, you will be responsible for the cost of your own meal.
- "Incidental" expenses that may include telephone calls from your hotel room, in-room movies, and room service. Keep in mind that this is NOT an exhaustive list. Seven Springs accepts all major credit cards and cash for payment of incidental expenses.
- Additional charges for any alternate sleeping arrangements, such as **a cot or a crib**.
- All day activity passes include the Alpine Slide, the Alpine Tower, Bowling, Disc Golf, Miniature Golf, Rock Wall, Scenic Chairlift, Paddleboats, Paddleboards, Swimming, and Trampoline. The 2023 costs for the passes are \$21 for children ages 3-6 and \$64 for house guests over 6 years old, plus 1% amusement tax.



The Scholastic Book Fair

Will be open all day Tuesday (7:30 am – 5:00 pm) and in the AM on Wednesday (7:30 am – 11:00 am). The book fair will be Buy 1 - Get 1 (BOGO).

What do I need to know about the barbeque on Monday night?

Monday evening will be a time for family fun and getting to know other people at the conference. This meal is served buffet style at 6:00 pm.

How does the Kids Adventure Camp work?

Kids Camp Schedule:

Tuesday

6:30am-7:30am - Breakfast at Slope Side Restaurant w/ Parents
8:00am-Noon and 1:00pm-4:30pm - Kids Camp Fun
Noon-1:00pm - Lunch at Childcare

(Pick-up your kids between 4:30pm and 5:00pm)

<u>6:00pm</u> - Banquet

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Movies for the Children

Wednesday

6:30am-7:30am - Breakfast at Slope Side Restaurant w/ Parents
8:00am-11:30am - Kids Camp Fun

Kids Adventure Camp (continued...)

Note: All children must be pre-registered via the conference registration form. No on-site registrations will be accepted. Your kids will wear an identification tag at Kids Camp. You must present appropriate identification to have your children released to your care.

The Seven Springs childcare staff has lots of fun activities planned for your children including team games and prizes, arts and crafts, and water balloon volleyball.

The Kids Adventure Camp staff asked us to share the following helpful hints with you about the program:

- Registration for the Kids Camp is at the ski lodge at 8:00 am. Parents MUST accompany their children to the lodge on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- All children have to wear sneakers and socks. For safety reasons, no sandals or flip flops are allowed. No part of the foot may be exposed.
- Your kids should wear their swimming suits under their clothes on both days.
- NO BACKPACKS PLEASE.
- Remember to apply your sun screen to your children before you drop them off at Kids Camp.
- Parents will need ID when picking-up their children.

Directions to Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Seven Springs is located in the southwestern region of Pennsylvania. You can locate Seven Springs on the map between Exit 91 (Old 9) Donegal and Exit 110 (Old 10) Somerset of the PA Turnpike Interstate 76...

** The closest metropolitan airport is the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport **



You can drive to Seven Springs via the PA Turnpike

From the East, use Exit 110 of the PA Turnpike (Somerset Exit)

From toll booth, continue to the 2nd traffic light and turn right onto S. Center Avenue Go to the 3rd traffic light and turn right onto Route 31 West Follow 31 West for approximately 7 miles, turn left at Pioneer Park Campground (on left) Follow road for approximately 4 miles to stop sign and turn right Follow road for 5 miles, Seven Springs Entrance is on the left

From the West, use Exit 91 of the PA Turnpike (Donegal Exit)

From toll booth, turn left onto Route 31 East
Continue on 31 East for approximately 2 miles, turn right onto 711 South
Follow 711 South for approximately 2 miles and turn left at the **Star Market** (on left)
Follow road for 8 miles, Seven Springs entrance is on the right

Seven Springs can also be reached by Several Scenic Routes

From the South, use PA Routes 711 North, 653 North, or 219 North to 31 West From the North, use PA Routes 119 South to 31 East; 219 South to 31 East; 30 East to 711 South From the West, use 119 South to 711 North • From the East, use 219 North to 31 West

Directions To Seven Springs From Distant Locations

Allentown, PA	78 W to 81 S to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	220 miles
Altoona, PA	220 S to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	60 miles
Erie, PA	79 S to PA Turnpike to Exit 91	170 miles
Harrisburg, PA	81 S to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	185 miles
Johnstown, PA	219 S to Third (3rd) Somerset Exit to 31 W	43 miles
Lancaster, PA	283 W to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	203 miles
Penn State, PA	220 S to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	160 miles
Philadelphia, PA	PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	260 miles
Pittsburgh, PA	376 E (Parkway) to PA Turnpike E to Exit 91	60 miles
Pgh Airport, PA	60 S to 279 S to 376 E (Parkway) to PA Turnpike E to Exit 91	75 miles
Scranton, PA	81 S to PA Turnpike W to Exit 110	268 miles
Uniontown, PA	119 N to 711 N to Champion	35 miles



