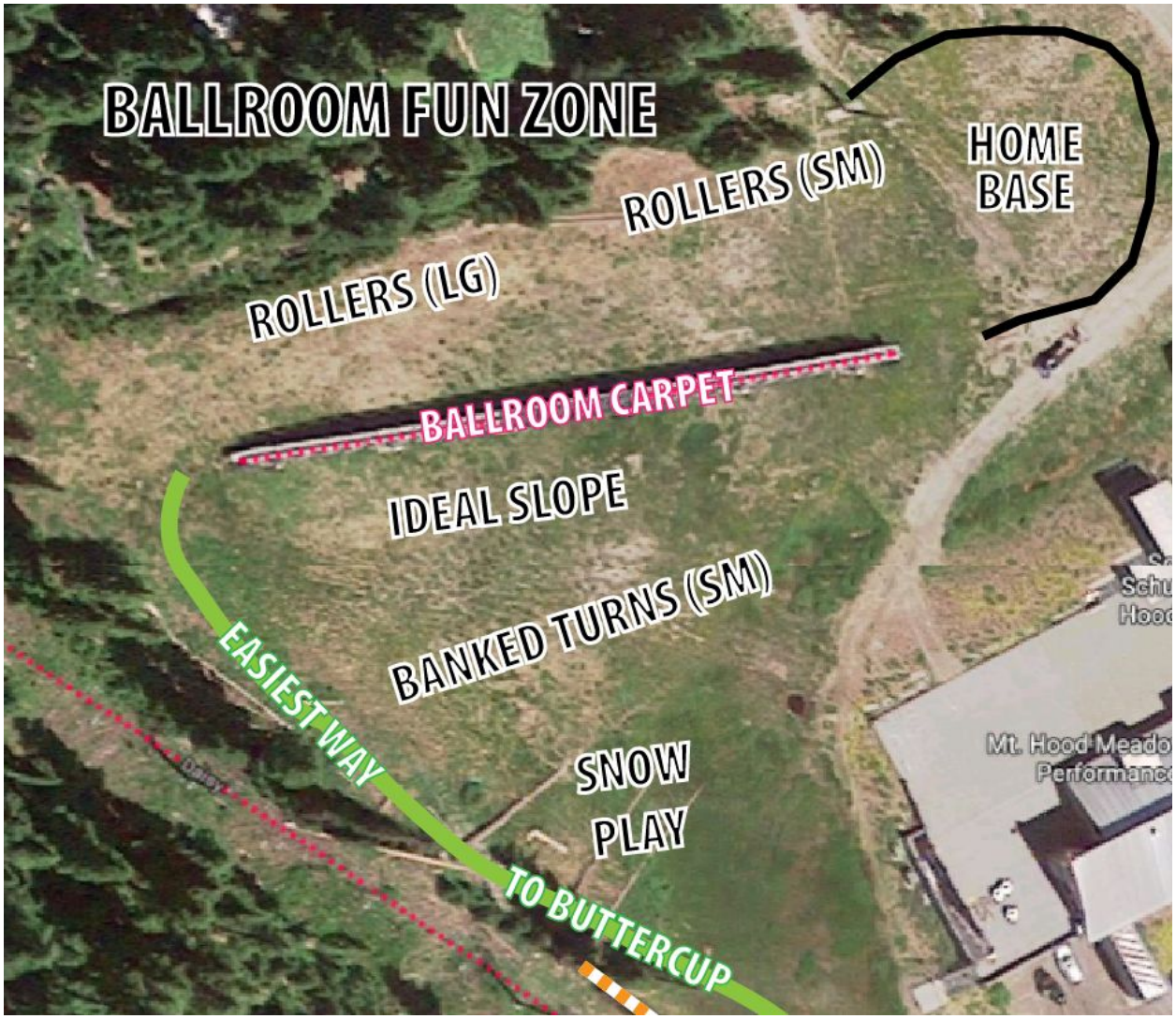
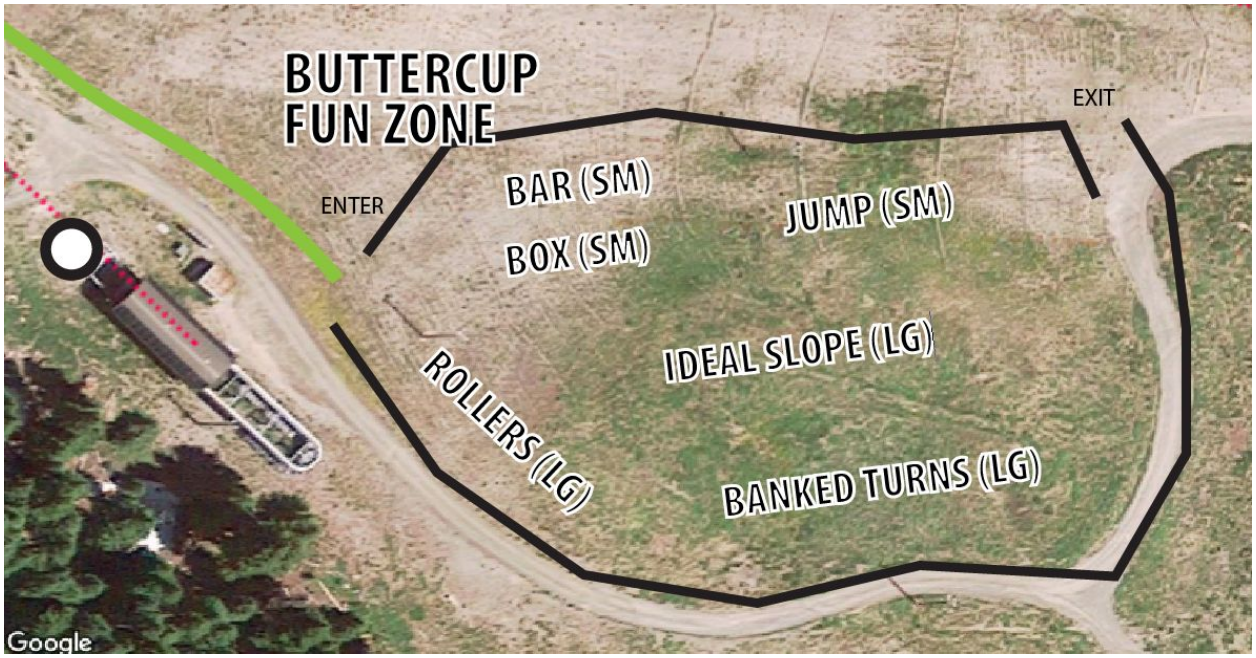
Learning Terrain Features

The Fun Zones

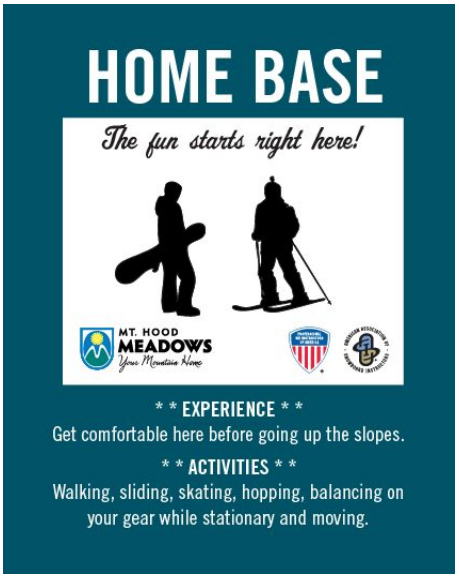
Learning Terrain Features will be strategically located in three areas: The Kids Fun Zone, The Ballroom Carpet Fun Zone and the Buttercup Fun Zone. Many of the same features will be located in each of these areas, each growing in size progressively.





What are Learning Terrain Features?

Simply put: Learning Terrain Features are designed to make trying skiing or snowboarding easier and more fun. By using specifically shaped snow features to naturally control speed and assist in first turns, these features allow people to get sliding on snow sooner so the focus is on the fun of skiing and snowboarding.



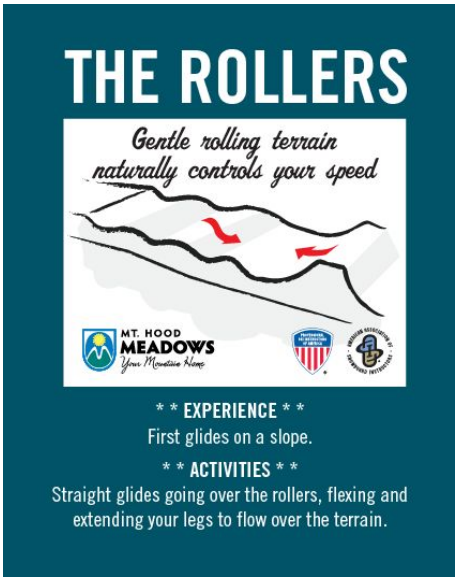
Home Base
The area at the bottom of Ballroom Carpet will be sculpted to be nearly flat and fenced off as dedicated learning terrain. This area is specifically built such that the fall line is gentle and contained, making first slides easier.

The Mini-Pipe: In the Mini-Pipe located in the Kids Fun Zone, kids will get their first experience with sliding on snow. The purpose is to slide down one side and up the other in a controlled fashion, not straight down the mini pipe as you would typically do in a traditional half pipe.

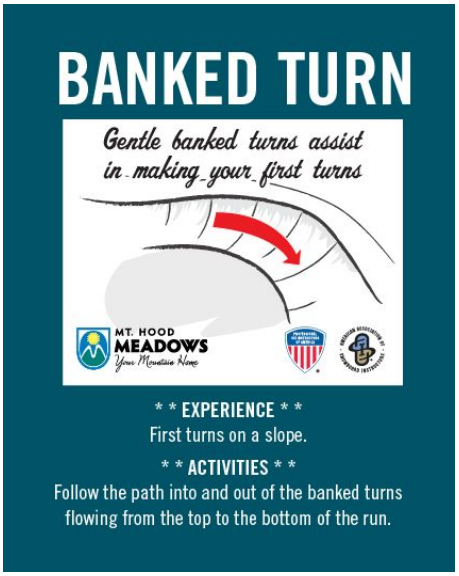
Features in the Kids Fun Zone will be machine and hand shaped.

The Rollers

The Rollers are where you'll get your first taste of what it's like to experience the thrills of gravity. Here's where you will gain confidence in sliding downhill while the gently rolling terrain helps to naturally control your speed. Rollers will be located at Ballroom Fun Zone and the Buttercup Fun Zone.

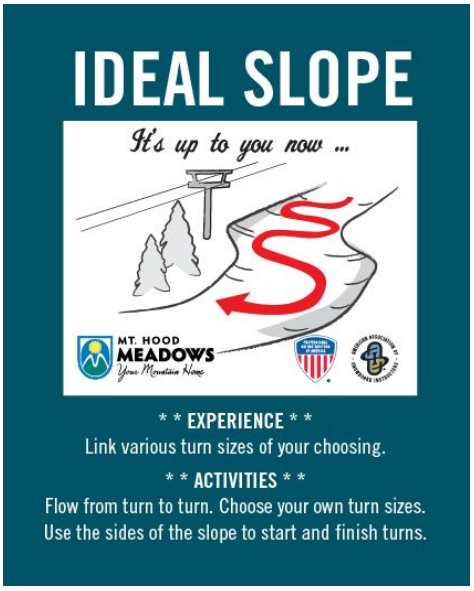


Banked Turn: Now you're ready for your first turns. The subtle banking of these turns will gently help to redirect your skis or board through your first series of turns. Banked Turns will be located in all 3 of the Fun Zones.

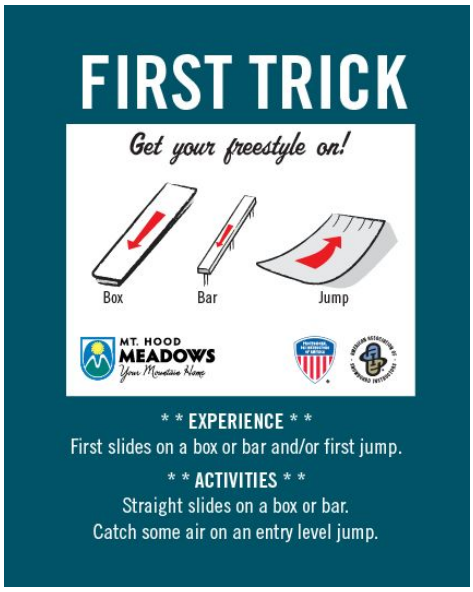


Ideal Slope: After mastering the Banked Turns you're ready to put it all together for yourself. On the Perfect Slope you're in control. Here you'll make your first unassisted turns and build the skills and confidence needed to head up the mountain to our Green terrain.

The Perfect Slope will be located in the Ballroom Fun Zone and the Buttercup Fun Zone, where the sides of the slope are curved upwards slightly to help control speeds at turn completion as well as facilitate direction changes for skiers and snowboarders.



First Trick: There will be some small terrain park features like an at grade flat box, an at grade flat bar and a very small jump, so that those seeking this aspect of learning and trying snowsports for the first time can do it!



At times, The Fun Zones may not be accessible because of too much or too little snow. The whole purpose of these features is to get people enjoying the sensations of sliding sooner in a controlled and safe space. We want guests to enjoy snowsports sooner and the terrain features are intended to control sliding. It's more about fun not fences!



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AOs8e1pBxMw

How do I teach lessons without Learning Terrain Features?

Great question. You'll use many of the same techniques you used in the past with a slight twist - rather than using an "Information based" approach, let's use a "Goal based" approach.

As instructors we have a lot of knowledge and experience, which when used effectively can help our guests enjoy the snowsports sooner. If we overuse or over explain what to do next we can cause confusion and reduce the stoke. The First Time Experience should be based on mutually established learning outcomes and goals, where activities support these. The goals outlined below may be used in a stepping stones approach dependent on the learner.

Clinicians: Refer to the First Timer Experience Goals for your specific discipline