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2026/27 Program Plan





**Snowboard Yukon is the PTSA (Provincial Territorial Sports Organization)
for Snowboarding in the Yukon and Canada**

- We train athletes, coaches, judges, and officials
- We form and administer teams for out-of-territory competitions (CWGs & AWGs)
- We organize and sanction events (GROM, Yukon Champs)
- We represent Yukon in Canada Snowboard, which is the national sports organization for snowboarding in Canada

A group of snowboarders are gathered on a snowy mountain peak. In the foreground, a person in a grey jacket and helmet is smiling, and another in a blue jacket is giving a thumbs up. In the background, several other snowboarders are visible, and the landscape features rolling snow-covered mountains under a blue sky with scattered clouds.

**Although our mandate is rooted in competitive snowboarding,
we believe in the power of recreation, community,
inclusivity and FUN!**

Competitive Stream

- Competition focused goals
- 1-5 year goals: AWGs, CWGs, Provincial Comps, Jr. Nationals
- Long term goals: National Team, Olympics, X Games, professional athlete
- Travel is required
- Dryland training is required
- Leading a sport-focused lifestyle
- Independent drive
- Balancing school and sport

Recreational Stream

- Personal progression focused goals
- 1-5 year goals: developing snowboard skills, being part of the snowboard community, realizing your own vision, integrating media & art with sport
- Long term goals: snowboarding for life, coaching, sponsored athlete
- Travel is for personal development
- Dryland training for wellbeing
- Independent vision

What do SY programs have in common?

All Snowboard Yukon coached programs are based in progression.

Athletes and riders *must be* looking to progress their skills in a goal-based, coached-supported environment.

All Snowboard Yukon coached programs are athlete centered.

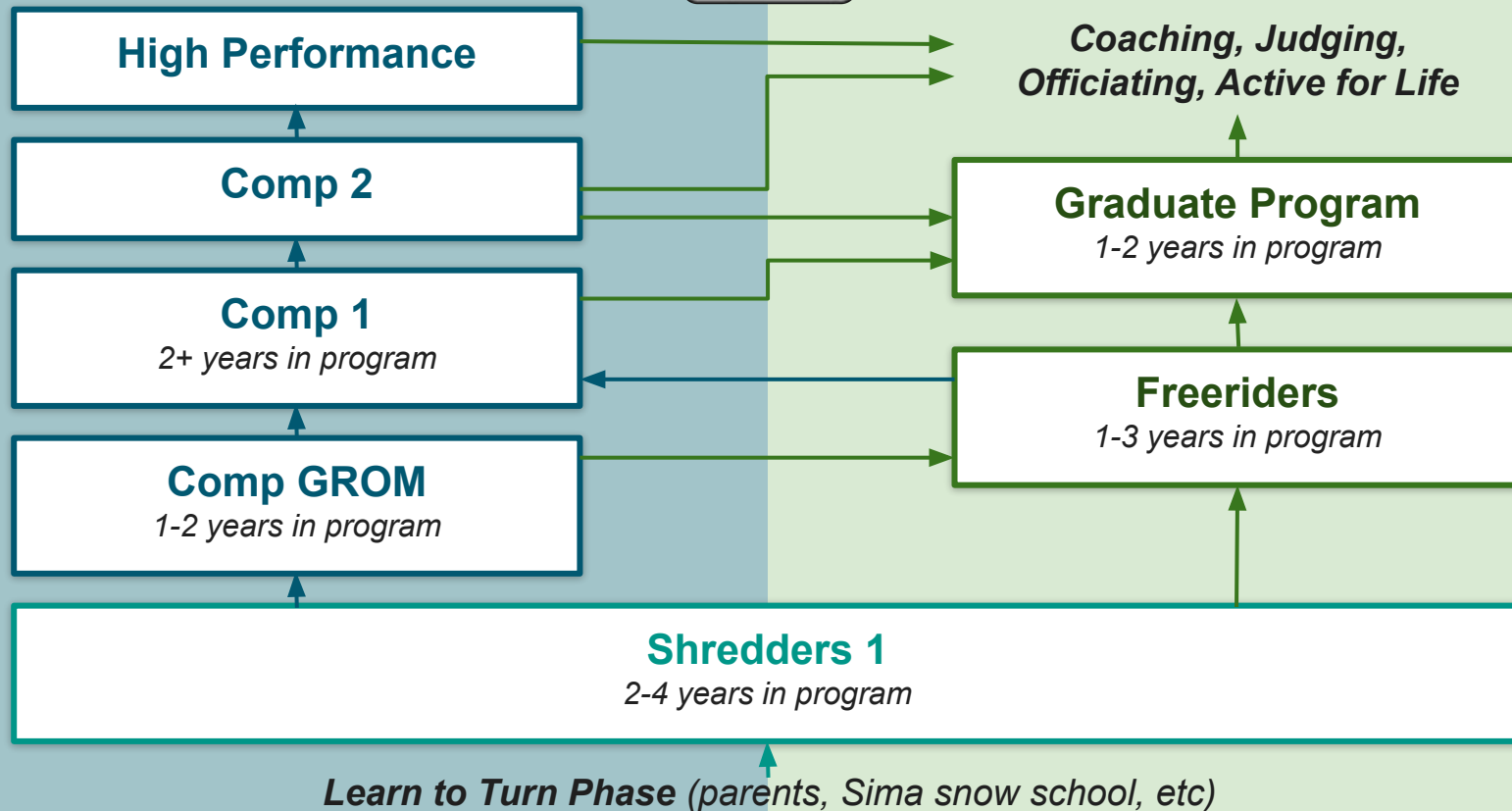
Our goal is for every athlete to feel supported in their progression.
All programs can be customized to fit an athlete's personal goals and realities.

Speak with Esa to create your personalized training plan.

Competitive Stream



Recreational Stream



New Pre-Ride Session

If you are new to Snowboard Yukon, you are invited to a Pre-Ride Session to meet the coaches and figure out which group is right for you.

When: Saturday, Dec 12, 2026 (make up Dec. 19)

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Where: Mt. Sima

Free session. Membership required. Lift tickets not included.

If you sign up for the Pre-Ride Session and meet the minimum program requirements above, you are guaranteed a spot in one of Snowboard Yukon's programs for 2027.



Shredders

Age: 8+

LTAD: 2 / 3

Years in program: 2-4

On-Snow: Saturdays,
Jan-Feb (*8 sessions*)

Comps: GROM, Yukon
Champs (*4 events*)

Season Goal

- Have FUN Snowboarding
- Introduction to all disciplines of snowboarding

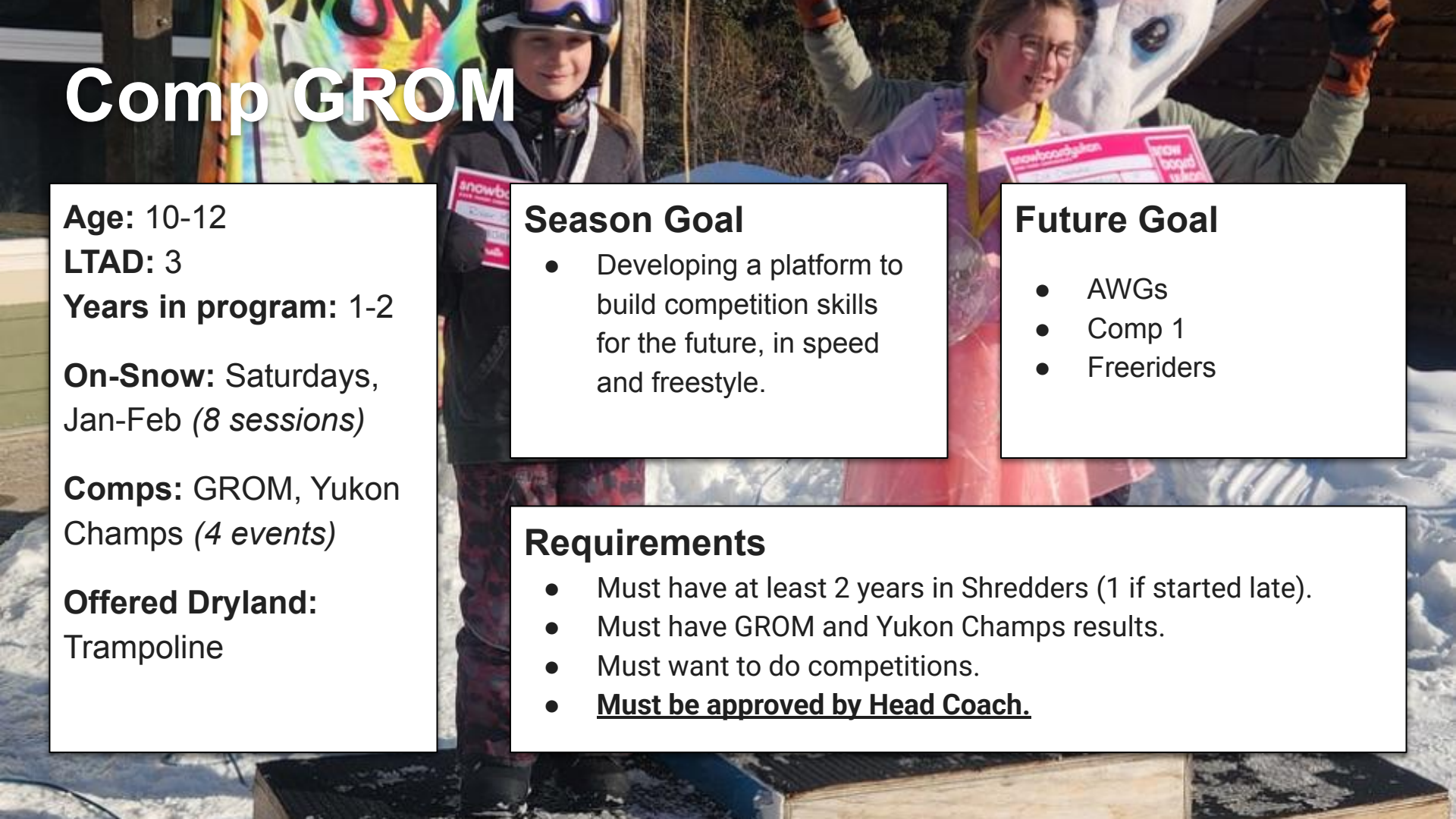
Future Goal

- Comp GROM

Starting On-Snow Skill Level

- Toe and heel edge turns
- Ride chairlift alone
- Green runs

Comp GROM



Age: 10-12

LTAD: 3

Years in program: 1-2

On-Snow: Saturdays,
Jan-Feb (*8 sessions*)

Comps: GROM, Yukon
Champs (*4 events*)

Offered Dryland:
Trampoline

Season Goal

- Developing a platform to build competition skills for the future, in speed and freestyle.

Future Goal

- AWGs
- Comp 1
- Freeriders

Requirements

- Must have at least 2 years in Shredders (1 if started late).
- Must have GROM and Yukon Champs results.
- Must want to do competitions.
- **Must be approved by Head Coach.**

Freeriders



Age: 12+

LTAD: 3

On-Snow: Sundays, Jan-Feb
(8 sessions)

Offered Dryland:
S&C + Mobility

Offered Comps: GROM,
Yukon Champs (4 events)

Offered Travel:
The Gathering Camp (May)

Season Goal

- Carving the whole mountain, groomed and ungroomed with flow
- Stepping up to medium features in all parks

Future Goal

- Choose your own snowboarding adventure

Starting On-Snow Skill Level

- Blue+ runs
- Safely navigate Pokey Park
- Ride snowboardcross course confidently

The Graduate Program

Age: 15+

LTAD: 4

On-Snow: Sundays, Jan – Feb
1-4 pm (*8 sessions*)

Offered Dryland:
S&C + Mobility

Mandatory Travel:
Season Ender Camp (Apr)

Season Goal

- Identify personal snowboarding goals and create a group plan for progression and travel

Future Goal

- Continue to progress based on your own vision
- Coaching

On-Snow Skill Level

- Riding the entire mountain with speed and flow
- Having your own snowboarding vision and creating your own lines

Comp 1

Age: 12+

LTAD: 3

Years in program: 2+ years

On-Snow: Saturdays,
Jan – Feb (*8 sessions*)

Mandatory Dryland:
S&C + Mobility, Trampoline

Mandatory Comps: GROM,
Provincials, Yukon Champs

Travel: Provincial (Jan)
The Gathering Camp (May)

Season Goal

- Hitting all features at Mt. Sima
- Participate in Provincial Level outside Comp
- 2nd Provincial Level outside Comp + Jr Nationals (Years 2+)

Future Goal

- AWG, CWG
- Additional Provincial Comps

Starting On-Snow Skill Level

- Spinning 180s+ on medium jumps (Coyote Park) with amplitude
- Riding snowboardcross course with speed and line
- Hitting features riding switch.
- Several years competing in the Yukon
- **Must be approved by Head Coach**

NEW Travel Team Fee

- All travel programs will now have a Travel Team Fee in addition to a Program Fee. It will be collected when training begins.
- The Travel Team Fee covers the coaches and/or chaperone's travel expenses (flights, accommodation, ground transport, per diems), for mandatory team travel.
- The fee will be calculated based on:

Estimated travel expense per day, per coach/chaperone

x number of mandatory trips

– YG and Lotteries Travel subsidies

/ number of athletes on the team.

- The Travel Team Fee will be calculated once registration is closed and we know the total number of team members.
- The amount collected will be deducted from each athlete's Trip Fees for the mandatory team travel. It is non-refundable. This ensures all team members are contributing equally to their team's competition plan.

Comp 2

Age: 12+

LTAD: 3 / 4

On-Snow: Pre-season Sat & Sun,
Sundays, 9:45 am – 12:45 pm
Jan – Feb (15 sessions)

Mandatory Dryland:

2 x S&C + Mobility, Trampoline

Mandatory Comps: Provincial (x2),
Junior Nationals, Yukon Champs

Mandatory Camps: Air Bag (Oct),
New Years Camp (Dec), Spring HP
Camp (May)

Season Goal

- Progress competition runs
- Attend two outside comps and Jr Nationals

Future Goal

- NORAM

On-Snow Skill Level

- Based on competitive goals
- Must be approved by Head Coach

High Performance

Age: 14+

LTAD: 4 / 5

On-Snow: Pre-season Sat & Sun,
Fridays & Sundays 9:45 am – 12:45 pm,
Jan – Feb (15+ sessions)

Mandatory Dryland:

S&C + Mobility, Trampoline, (2nd S&C recomm)

Mandatory Comps: Provincial (x2),
Junior Nationals, Yukon Champs

Mandatory Camps: Air Bag (Oct),
New Years Camp (Dec), Spring HP Camp (May)

Season Goal

- Progress in chosen discipline
- Living a sport-focused lifestyle

Future Goal

- National Programs

On-Snow Skill Level

- Based on competitive goals
- Must be approved by Head Coach

SBX Team

Age: 14+

LTAD: 3 / 4

On-Snow: Pre-season with Speed Club, Saturdays, Jan – Feb (8 sessions)

Mandatory Dryland:

S&C + Mobility, Trampoline(optional)

Mandatory Comps: Provincial (Jan), Jr. Nats (Mar), Yukon Champs (Apr), Banked Slalom (May)

Specialized Equipment: Rental or purchase of race board.

Season Goal

- Develop competitive speed skills.
- Attend two outside comps and Jr Nationals.
- CWG if selected.

Future Goal

- NORAM

On-Snow Skill Level

- Ride SBX course aggressively with line.
- Straight airs medium+ jumps.
- Some competitive racing experience.
- **Must be approved by the Speed Coach**

Speed Club

Age: 10+ (including adults)

LTAD: 3 / 4

On-Snow: Preseason,
Saturdays, Nov 14, 21, 22,
28, 29

Offered Outside Comps:
Banked Slalom (May)

Season Goal

- Progress racing skills

Future Goal

- Improved competition results

On-Snow Skill Level

- Riding snowboardcross and banked slalom courses with speed and line
- Experience at outside speed competition
- **Must be approved by the Speed Coach**

CWG

Ages: 13-19 years as of Dec. 31, 2026 (2007-2013)

Skill Level LTAD: 4 / 5

Freestyle: Lower Coyote with confidence.

Speed: Ride SBX course aggressively with line. Straight airs medium+ jumps.

Both: Competitive racing experience, likely outside.

Application: Due Aug 17

Training Squad & Evaluation: Preseason, Nov 14-29

Team Announced: Dec 5

Team Training: with Comp 2 / SBX Team

CWG Games: Mar 6-14, 2027

Training Commitment for Selected Athletes (and alternates):

- Train with a Comp Team
- Wed, S&C + Mobility
- Trampoline
- Attend outside comp
- Specialized equipment for racing.

**Download the CWG
Selection Criteria:**



We need help...

Trip Coordinators

We are looking for parents to volunteer to coordinate competition or training trips. This role helps with communication, logistics, and ensuring families have the information they need before and during the trip.

Comp Team Managers

Each Comp Team needs a parent manager who can serve as a point of contact for families and help support coaches with administrative and organizational tasks.

Express your interest in helping out:

- Email mary@snowboardyukon.com

Next Steps

Registration opens Monday, August 17 @ 7:00 pm

Follow the links on snowboardyukon.com to **Uplifter** (was [SnowReg](#))

For questions or customized training plans contact
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Dryland programs begin August 24

