



# Alpine, Telemark,\* Cross Country Skiing\*\* or Snowboarding

The Winter Activities program includes eight skiing and snowboarding lessons and free time on Breckenridge's Peak 8 Mountain! No prior experience is necessary! This program is available to all Park County Re-2 students in grades **2 – 12** (*K/1<sup>st</sup> graders without experience may want to consider Fairplay Flyers, a shorter day geared toward that age level. Contact the South Park Recreation Center*).

This winter's program includes eight Friday sessions. Activity dates are as follows: January 6, 13, 20, 27; February 3, 10, 24; March 2. Note there is no program Presidents' Day weekend. **Attendance is required for all Never-Ever skiers/riders for the first class.** Of course there may be a day when your student is unable to attend, but to get the most out of the program, it is best to try to make it for all sessions. **Missed lessons will not be refunded.**

Breckenridge states that this program is meant to be a "learn-to" program and encourages accomplished skiers and riders to try different recreational avenues. Therefore, levels 6/7 and levels 8/9 will be combined again this year. Lessons are geared toward the lower level and seemed to work well last year. (Upper level instructors are paid more, so Breckenridge would charge more if the levels were separated. Combining the upper levels was a compromise to keep the cost as low as possible.)

\* Telemark skiing enrollment must include at least 5 participants. The school does not own any telemark equipment.

\*\*The Breckenridge cross country ski area is offering a fantastic deal of 8 weeks of lessons for \$100, including equipment!

The school district is limiting total enrollment to 100 participants due to transportation constraints. **Complete applications** will be given first priority.

The **total cost** for transportation and 8 lessons of alpine and telemark skiing or snowboarding is \$220.00. (*The cost is the same if you have a season pass as you are paying for the lesson.*) This is a great deal for under \$30/day since the normal lift/lesson price for a day is \$170!

The price for the eight sessions includes transportation, instruction for 2 1/2 hours, alpine skis or snowboards from the school (if needed), a lift ticket for the day, and supervised time on the mountain for an additional 2 hours. The lessons are taught by professional instructors at Breckenridge, and the supervised time on the mountain is done by parent volunteers. On that note, we welcome parents of all abilities to join us. In exchange for helping with the supervision of 4 to 6 students, we will provide you with a lift ticket for the day, a value of approximately \$100.00! (Cross country adults pay \$5 a time for equipment and a lesson.)

Because of the potential for injuries, **we require all participants to wear a helmet at all times** on the mountain. Not only will the helmet help protect your student, it is great for keeping warm! The school has small, medium, and large helmets that can be borrowed for the season. (The Ski Castle also has helmets that can be checked out weekly for no fee should the demand exceed school supply.)

If you elect to use your own helmet, it **MUST** be taken to the program each week. Please understand your child's safety is our primary concern, and help us by respecting the helmet requirement.

**For those who need equipment**, the school will offer fittings for alpine skis or snowboards two afternoons the second week in December (you will get another notice). Once a proper fit is determined, the equipment will be professionally adjusted by *Christy Sports*, marked with your student's name and will be used each Friday. The equipment is stored in our "ski room" and is transported to the mountain each week. This arrangement makes it much easier to have an on-time departure.

The general schedule for each week is as follows: **6:15 – 6:30 A.M. bus picks up students in Lake George**, all students check in at the "ski room" in our vocational ed. building to pick up a lift/lesson ticket and their equipment, when they arrive **in Fairplay**. Students load the buses which **leave** at 7:50 A.M. from Fairplay. The instructors will greet us and take students off to lessons, according to age and ability, from 9:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Parent volunteers who will supervise the students meet their group for lunch and free time on the mountain from 11:30 A.M. to just before 2:00 P.M. Everyone needs to be back **on the bus by 2:15 P.M.** so we can arrive in Fairplay by approximately 3:00 P.M. Upon arrival, students help unload and put equipment back. Parents should plan to pick up their student by **4:00 P.M. in Lake George**. Please be prompt in picking your child up each Friday; **we cannot offer supervision after 4:15 P.M.**

To ensure a space for your student, fill out the forms completely and accurately by Tuesday, **November 29, 2011**, attach a **check or money order** made **payable to Park County School District (or PCSD)** and return to your school secretary. **At least half of the payment is due now**; the balance needs to be paid by January 6, 2012.

**Cost of program:**

Alpine skiing, telemark and snowboarding: \$220

Cross country skiing: \$100 (first year introductory price includes equipment and lesson)

Feel free to call Marcy Wilkins, Director of Winter Activities, with any questions, 836-4406, or email her at [mwilkins@parkcountyre2.org](mailto:mwilkins@parkcountyre2.org).