



Blackhawk's First Flight – Learn to Ski

Blackhawk's First Flight is comprised of three levels of alpine (downhill) ski instruction for children. Students are required to have their own equipment. The cost for instruction is \$150 per child for a ten-week session.

<u>Pre-Flight</u>	<u>First Flight</u>	<u>Second Flight</u>
<p>A program designed for first-time (never) skiers to provide individual instruction to very young children (ages 4- 6). Under 4 not eligible.</p> <p><u>Goals:</u> Children will advance to First Flight group lessons once they can ski independently down the hill by either making simple turns or controlling their speed in a wedge.</p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Even without snow, early lessons focus on putting on/ taking off equipment, etc. ▪ Target instructor to student ratio is 1:3. ▪ Classes last 30 minutes. 	<p>This program is to provide group instruction to children who can turn or stop; or kids (ages 6 or older) with no skiing experience.</p> <p><u>Goals:</u> Children will learn to ski Hill #1 comfortably using wedge turns to control speed. Independent use of the tow rope.</p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Even without snow, early lessons focus on putting on/ taking off equipment, etc. ▪ Target instructor to student ratio is 1:5. ▪ Students may progress to next level when the instructor determines they are ready. ▪ Classes last one hour. 	<p>For skiers who can make simple wedge turns, control their speed on a steeper incline, and ride tow ropes with minimal or no assistance.</p> <p><u>Goals:</u> Skiers will continue to develop speed and turning control and be introduced to parallel turning technique. Children will ski a short, gated course and may also try small jumps.</p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Target instructor to student ratio is 1:7. ▪ Students will have an opportunity later in the year to explore the East Side and Hills 5 and 6. ▪ Classes last one hour.

Important Notes for all Flights:

- **Classes begin on Saturday, December 2nd with or without snow.**
- Arrive at least **15 minutes** before the class to put on equipment and clothing.
- The program lasts for 10 weeks and children typically progress to different levels and flights.
- Classes are held on Hills # 1 & 2 by the West Chalet.
- Ski Equipment-Students are required to have their own equipment. Blackhawk doesn't rent alpine ski equipment. To save money, many parents of new skiers purchase gently used equipment until their child progresses with the sport.
- Please notify Kelley Linnan at blackhawkskiclub@yahoo.com if your child will be absent for any reason so we can be sure to use our resources in the best way possible.
- E-mail (blackhawkskiclub@yahoo.com) and the Blackhawk website (www.blackhawkskiclub.org) will be used to notify families of class cancellation and special events. Because of this, it is very important that you provide at least one e-mail address that you check regularly. E-Mail addresses can be updated on your account at blackhawkskiclub.org.

Session preference is determined in the order we receive the completed online applications. To the degree possible, children from a single family will be placed in the same session time. General First Flight questions can be directed to Kelley Linnan at blackhawkskiclub@yahoo.com.

Please carefully complete online registration. You will receive a confirmation email to verify your membership renewal. No changes or refunds are possible.



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- Purpose:** First Flight is Blackhawk's alpine (downhill) learn to ski program for children. It is comprised of three levels: Pre-Flight, First Flight and Second Flight. See detailed description on previous page to select appropriate level for each child.
- Registration:** Sign up online at www.blackhawkskiclub.org. Go to "Sign in for Memberships, Programs, Classes", and follow the directions from there. Any other form of registration will be considered only after accommodations have been made for members who sign up online.
- Requirements:** Students are required to have their own ski equipment. Helmets are **REQUIRED**. University of Wisconsin Hospital sells helmets at cost from the Safekids Program.
- Cost:** The fee is \$150.00 per child for a ten-week lesson block. Lessons begin Saturday, December 2nd.
- Questions:** Contact Kelley Linnan at blackhawkskiclub@yahoo.com with any questions.
- Lesson Times:** There are several lesson times available. They are as follows (please sign up each child for only one lesson time):
No changes or refunds are possible.

ALPINE (Downhill) SKIING SCHEDULE-Lessons Start Saturday, Dec. 3rd

	Saturday		Sunday		Monday		Thursday	
Pre-Flight	Sat.	09:00 – 09:30						
	Sat.	09:45 – 10:15						
	Sat.	10:30 – 11:00						
First Flight	Sat.	09:00 – 10:00	Sun.	9:45 – 10:45	Mon.	06:00 – 07:00	Thurs.	06:00 – 07:00
	Sat.	10:15 – 11:15	Sun.	11:00 – 12:00				
	Sat.	11:30 – 12:30						
Second Flight	Sat.	09:00 – 10:00	Sun.	9:45 – 10:45	Mon.	06:00 – 07:00	Thurs.	06:00 – 07:00
	Sat.	10:15 – 11:15	Sun.	11:00 – 12:00				
	Sat.	11:30 – 12:30						

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