



Blackhawk Ski Jumping Program

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Purpose: The Blackhawk Ski Jumping Team includes youth who have gone through the Intro to Ski Jumping class and would like to learn more and possibly start competing in tournaments and potentially even work toward the goal of Junior Nationals and beyond. Members of the team train on snow in the winter and plastic in the fall and spring. Jumpers are encouraged to participate in the club's winter tournament. There are also opportunities to begin traveling to other tournaments within the Midwest. Optional training camps are held throughout the year. Since practices are held on the same nights regardless of skill level, it is a great sport for families who have multiple kids participating

Requirements:

- Must be at least 5-years old
- Must be able to ski down hill #2
- Must be confident stopping and able to ride the tow rope
- Must have completed the Intro to Ski Jumping class or have
- **Parents must stay at the jumps during practice!**

Schedule:

Practices are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 – 7:00.

They are held on plastic during the fall and spring and on snow in the winter.

- Fall jumping is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, August 29th.
- Winter jumping is scheduled to begin on January 2nd, weather permitting.
- Dry-land training is optional, but will begin in April before jumpers are ready to practice on the plastic in May and June.
- Jumpers are NOT required to make all practices.

New jumpers are encouraged to participate, if they feel prepared, in Blackhawk's home tournament on Sunday, January 14th.

Cost:

Jumping Year-Round Jumping

- \$450.00

Non-snow (Fall/Spring)

- September 2017 – November (weather permitting), April (dry-land training), May-June 2018
- \$250.00

Snow (Winter) Jumping

- January – February (weather permitting)
- \$300.00

NOTE: Fees for participating in non-Blackhawk tournaments are optional and not included. Participants may be required to obtain their own USSA membership for some non-Blackhawk tournaments.

Equipment:

Jumpers are required to have their own alpine skis, ski helmet, and leather gloves/mittens Blackhawk has special jumping equipment available and arrangements can be made to use this equipment once the coach and parent have determined the jumper ready for them.

Questions:

Contact Christine Gessner at jumping@blackhawkskiclub.org