

Courage Kenny Ski and Snowboard Program

Participant Frequently Asked Questions

1. How do I sign up for the Ski and Snowboard program?
The registration process for the ski & snowboard program is a **lottery system**. Participants have from October 1-10 to sign up for the lottery and submit all necessary paperwork. During this window of time, NO payment will be taken. You can sign up anytime during the lottery window, October 1-10. If you are interested in a scholarship or cost share, please submit the cost share application at the same time.
2. Where is the link for registration?
You will receive a link to a Lottery Sign Up form on October 1. You will be asked for preferences site/time/date, but this does not guarantee registration for the program.
3. When will I know if I'm in the program?
Official program confirmation emails will be sent out in mid-December. If you are not selected, you will be added to the waitlist and will be notified if a spot opens up for the season or a one-time lesson.
4. Who can participate in the program?
The Courage Kenny Ski and Snowboard program is for all individuals with a disability- physical disabilities, intellectual disabilities, visual/hearing impairments, etc. We specialize in providing ski and snowboard lessons with adaptive equipment.
5. I'm wondering if the ski hills will offer friends and family tickets.
Yes, there are "friends and family" tickets available to purchase. Prices vary by ski area.
6. Are you able to provide the full list of anticipated dates for the program? (Jan-Mar)
Yes, however, these dates are all subject to change based on ski areas availability. A full calendar of events will be included in your confirmation email in December.
7. What can I expect on my first day of program?
A "what to expect" your first day will be included in your confirmation package. You will be matched with well-trained volunteer instructors. Each lesson goes out on the hill with two volunteers to one participant to begin with.
8. How will financial aid and scholarships work within the Lottery System?
If you are interested in applying for a scholarship (cost share), please let us know as soon as possible, and we'll send out the application and instructions so you will know what you qualify for. Thanks to generous donors, all approved Cost Share applicants will receive 90% off the program fee. No payments are required during the lottery sign-up. Once a confirmation for the lottery is sent out, we will provide instructions on how to pay if you have an approved scholarship.
9. I would like to pay for the fee out of my waiver services.
Please notify us at ckrisportsrecreation@allina.com if you would like to bill your waiver services. We have to send them an invoice directly for the services provided.

10. What are the steps that will be taken if someone in the program finds out they have Covid?
Notify site coordinator immediately if symptoms or known exposure with COVID have occurred. Please stay home if you are sick.
11. Will there be a wait list?
Yes, there will be an overall waitlist and a site-specific waitlist based on your preferences. If you are on the waitlist, you will be notified if a spot opens up for the season or a one-time lesson.
12. Will participants be allowed to give preferences to more than one location?
YES! You can provide 1st and 2nd preference based on location and time. If you have flexibility as to location and time, please select you're willing to do any site.
13. Will there be assistance for transferring in and out of the sit ski?
We encourage caregivers to help with transfers. We will be able to get you in/out off snow safely once out on the hill. We will take precautions as able.
14. Do we need doctor's signatures on forms?
No, we do not require a doctor's signature for registration. However, we do encourage you to speak to your healthcare provider as to if this would be a good fit for you. There are only a few exceptions to getting a physician signature.
15. Will race team be part of the lottery system?
Yes, race team will also be in the lottery system.
16. If I decide not to participate this season, will I be able to participate next year? Will I still get all the communications? Yes, you will be able to sign up for the lottery next year and you will remain on all communications unless you tell us otherwise.
17. Will there be accessible restrooms available?
Yes, the restrooms in chalets will be available.
18. I know someone interested in volunteering. How do they sign up?
We are always in need of volunteers! Please have them contact us at ckrisportsrecreation@allina.com to get started. Additional volunteer information can be found at: allinahealth.org/skivolunteer
19. Can a family member or friend be our volunteer instructor and be on our lessons? We would love to have your family member or friend to be a part of the program. We cannot make any promises they would be assigned to your specific lesson unless there is a specific medical need to have a caregiver or PCA along on your lesson. Please contact the Program Coordinator for additional information.