

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024



WELCOME

MISSION

Dear JHSC Family and Friends,

We celebrated our 85th season by welcoming over 200 new families to JHSC and completing our new Strategic Plan covering our goals for the next 3 years. In the past year, our 500+ student-athletes in Alpine, Backcountry, Freeride, and Nordic enjoyed a stellar year of growth and achievement in skiing and snowboarding. JHSC had four student-athletes represent the United States at International Championships, as well as numerous accolades at the national and regional levels. We graduated twelve seniors who spent a cumulative 107 years with JHSC with two of those student-athletes continuing on to ski for NCAA D1 programs.

As a Club, JHSC aims to be the preeminent competitive youth organization for winter snow sports. Our Club hosted 55 days of junior competitions across Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, Trail Creek Ranch, and Snow King Mountain. We also enjoyed over 70% staff retention across our programs and 20% of our staff are former JHSC student-athletes. Our annual and ongoing staff training is some of the best in the industry, attracting experienced and motivated coaches who return year after year to inspire the next generation of recreational and elite student-athletes who love skiing and snowboarding for life.

Your support continues to matter more than ever as we refine, expand, and advance the quality of our programs. This is only possible through extensive financial donations, volunteers, and our community and venue partners. With our goal of keeping student-athletes in winter snow sports through high school, over 20% of student-athletes received need-based scholarship support. JHSC also awarded 17 merit scholarships for athletic achievement and 12 academic scholarships for high school student-athletes with year-long academic 4.0 GPAs. In total, JHSC awarded \$166,210 in need and merit based scholarships. Donating to JHSC correlates to healthier and happier student-athletes in a community that loves snow sports!

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ALPINE

Wow! 2023-2024 was an incredible season for JHSC Alpine ski racing! We welcomed new faces into the Alpine community, had fun with dryland in the fall, learned how to improve our turns, and enjoyed the crisp air in our lungs. We hosted 37 days of ski racing for our community and the Intermountain Region, and we were able to show off how fantastic the snow can be while hosting 7 days of U18 Nationals at both Snow King Mountain and Jackson Hole Mountain Resort. JHSC Alpine student-athletes had 40 opportunities to travel across the country for training and racing across all ages. One highlight of the season was Mattias W. representing the USA and JHSC at World Junior Championships in France. A huge shout out to all Alpine Coaches for their incredible hard work, especially Sean Hines who was awarded the Intermountain Division Official of the Year! Thank you all for a great season!

Kristin Waddle - Alpine Program Director

"Persistence is the biggest thing I've learned over my time at JHSC. There are so many adverse conditions and obstacles, and it's rare that things go your way. Keep on your track that you believe will lead you to success. Be open minded to others' thoughts and ideas on how to improve."

Atticus S. - Alpine FIS Team Graduate

"Rockchuck Racers is really fun because there's a lot of fun trails that they let you ski like Belly Roll and Elk. I think I like it because it's like a school, but it's teaching you how to do one of your favorite things... skiing." Etta S. - Alpine Rockchuck Racers Team

of student-athletes in the Alpine Program

of regionally competitive student-athletes

of nationally competitive student-athletes

7 # of internationally competitive student-athletes









BACKCOUNTRY

The mountains are messy and always provide different conditions for us to navigate, but that is part of what keeps us coming back and learning more about our beautiful surroundings in winter! JHSC Backcountry had a stellar season of complicated snowpacks, route planning, expanding our aerobic fitness, and mitigating hazards all while having fun on the snow. We had over 30 adventures including athletes' "first ever tours," as well as providing our more seasoned athletes opportunities to work on navigation, tour planning, and leading groups to good snow. We had an excellent hut trip to Downing Mountain Lodge in January, where despite less snow than we would have liked, there were some great learning outcomes and really fun times for everyone. Thanks for another great season of backcountry skiing, and I am already looking forward to more adventures next year!

Blake Votilla - Backcountry Program Director

"What JHSC has taught me over the years is how important teamwork and building relationships with teammates and coaches is, plus commitment, grit, communication, and to always to have fun no matter what. I have fostered some of my greatest knowledge from JHSC programs, specifically the Backcountry Program, around snow/avalanche education that I will forever be grateful for."

Ava T. - Backcountry 4-Month Team Graduate

"Being on this team brings me... opportunities to explore the Teton Backcountry safely. I have been part of this team since it started. Being a part of this team has helped me grow as a leader; allowing me to lead newer skiers on our day trips. My teammates push me to be stronger and I love being a part of this team because, I feel I have the skills I need to be safe and independent in the backcountry."

Charlie K. - Backcountry 4-Month Team



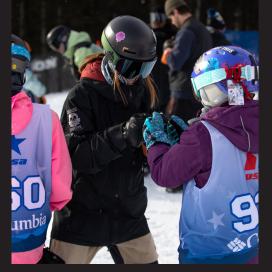




competitive Skimo student-athletes









FREERIDE

JHSC Freeride made the most of each and every day with more new faces on the fastest growing team in JHSC over the 2023-2024 winter season. We hosted 12 days of USASA and IFSA Freeride competitions for our community and the Intermountain Region, providing both an opportunity to try competition for the first time or to qualify for a National or World Championship. JHSC Freeride athletes had 16 opportunities to travel across the country for training and competitions for all ages of student-athletes. A huge shoutout to Jack K. for qualifying for the 2025 Junior World Freeride Championships; we look forward to cheering you on the course! Thanks to all for an incredible season of Freeride, and I look forward to another wonderful season of new and familiar faces in the program.

Collin Rehm - Freeride Program Director

"I love the team because everyone pushes each other to work hard. Everyone is kind and you make great friends. Being on this team brings me the opportunity to compete in different competitions and work on technique. But you also sometimes just get to freeski. Being part of the team is awesome! I love just flying through the air! My teammates inspire me to do what they're doing and ski all the time. I love being on the Freeride team because of all the great coaches and friends."

Violet K. - Freeride Progression Plus Team

- # of student-athletes in the Freeride Program
- # of regionally competitive student-athletes
- # of nationally competitive student-athletes
- # of internationally competitive student-athletes

"I have really learned a lot about how to balance school and skiing. When we go places to ski for competitions, you lose a bit of time in school but being able to manage my time and get stuff done outside of school has been a benefit for sure."

Keane H. - Freeride Competition Team Graduate









NORDIC

With high attendance in our youth age groups, successful race results, and engagement across all levels, the JHSC Nordic Program enjoyed an extremely successful season! JHSC Nordic has the highest alumni coach ratio with 31% of our coaching staff being JHSC alums. We hosted 8 days of Nordic ski racing for our community and the Intermountain Region across all ages. JHSC Nordic student-athletes had 11 opportunities to travel across the country for training and racing. Representing the USA and JHSC at the following International Championships: Lena P. & Lucas W. attended U18 Scandinavian Championships in Sweden; and Lucas W. & Elijah W. (alum) went to World Junior Championships in Slovenia. We wrapped up the season by hosting 3 days of International Spring Series racing on our fantastic trails at the Trail Creek Nordic Training Center. Think Snow!

Will Wicherski - Nordic Program Director

"I have learned how to create goals and work hard so I can achieve my goals. I have also learned how to create new friends and how to participate in a team."

Lucas W. - Nordic Competition Team Graduate & University of Utah Nordic Team Member

"I love doing the races and wearing costumes. I also love scavenger hunts and fun games and skiing with my friends."

Mara M. - Nordic Teewinot Team

of student-athletes in the Nordic Program

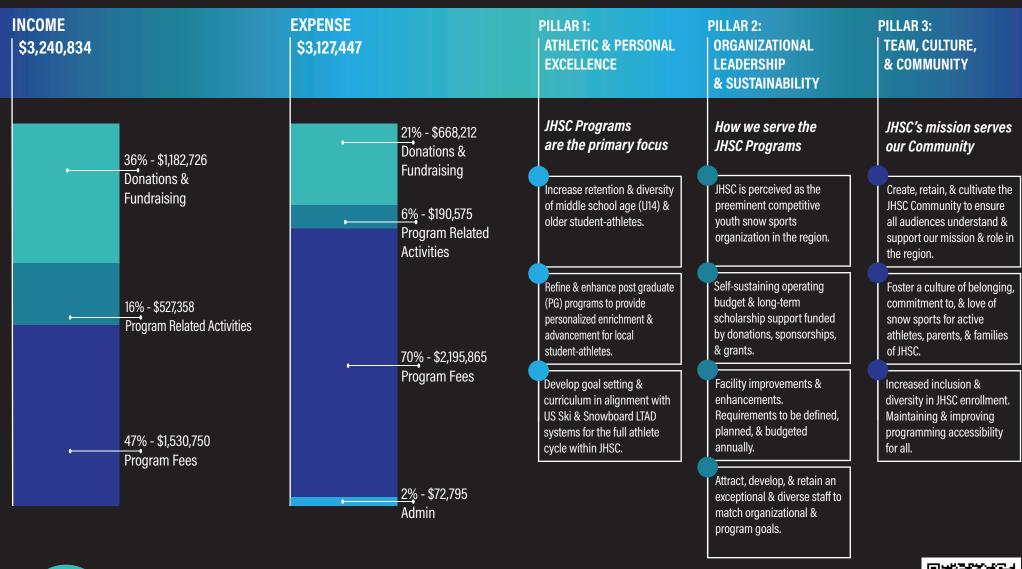
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