



Ski Trip 2025
Winter Park, Colorado
April 5-12

Frequently Asked Questions??

Who is 2nd Mile Adventures?

2nd Mile Adventures challenges people to “Go A New Distance” Physically, Mentally, and Spiritually. We do this through adventure ministry trips which STRESS each of these concepts. Our faith creed is:

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of the ends of the earth. He never tires but gives strength to the weary whose hope is in him. Let us, the hopeful, then strengthen feeble arms and weak knees and focus our eyes on him, Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. That in the course of life He has set for us we will soar on wings like eagles, we will run and not grow weary, we will ride to tell of our hope, and will live in the 2nd Mile victorious.

The Bible: Isaiah 40, Hebrews 12, and Matthew 7

What is the 2nd Mile Adventures Ski Trip?

The Ski Trip has been taking local youth, volunteers, and families to Winter Park, Colorado for 43 years. That’s right, we are celebrating our 43rd Anniversary for Ski Trip!! We want to challenge people of the Northern Indiana area to break out and experience God in one of His amazing creations, The Rocky Mountains. On the trip everyone will spend four days skiing/snowboarding, and spending time playing games and experiencing God (through small group sessions in the evenings).

How do we get there?

We will be driving west using vans and a bus. We depart on April 5th at 5:00 PM from Winona Lake, and travel through the night to Snow Mountain Ranch – YMCA of the Rockies. There are multiple drivers per vehicle and each driver rotates three or four hours at a time.

What skiing or snowboarding skill level do you need to go on the trip?

We have skill levels from 1st time skiers and snowboarders to advanced. Do not let your inexperience keep you from joining us. We require that all kids and adults that have not skied or snowboarded before the trip to get a professional lesson from a certified trainer before heading out on Ski Trip. You may choose to get a lesson on the mountain at Winter Park, but this MUST be arranged before we leave and can be quite expensive. But just know, a lesson is required one way or another.

What if I or my kids wants to go into the terrain park?

All Ski Trip students, adults and volunteers are required to wear a helmet while on the mountain. We encourage kids that have never used jumps, rails, and other terrain obstacles to start in the beginner park. We always encourage everyone to ski/snowboard within their limits.

Is there a curfew?

Everyone is on the same schedule: 7:00AM breakfast, 8:00AM leave for ski resort, NOON EVERYONE must check back in for lunch, 4:00PM leave ski resort, 5:00PM to 8:00PM dinner and free time, 8:00PM large group time, 10:00PM in room and lights out by 11:00PM.

What happens if my kid gets hurt?

We will be bringing a family physician with us on every trip. Ski patrol gives our doctor a pager and contacts him immediately when any kids from our group comes into the ski patrol emergency room. Our doctor will then contact the parents and assist with any questions at the Ski Patrol.

How many adult volunteers attend the trip?

Last year we had 14 adult volunteers on the trip. This give us about a 3 kids per adult ratio. I expect about the same this year as well.

How much does the Ski Trip cost?

The most common registration type is a "4-day student" pass. All cost listed below include: Transportation, 5 nights of lodging, food – breakfast, lunch, and dinner while at the ranch, lift tickets for the week, and event apparel.

Child Pricing: Early Bird Pricing (register and pay at least deposit by January 31st)

-3 Day: \$780	\$725
-4 Day: \$830	\$775

Student Pricing:

-3 Day: \$830	\$775
-4 Day: \$900	\$845

Adult Pricing:

-3 Day: \$855	\$800
-4 Day: \$940	\$885

This is the closest current estimation of trip prices at this point:

Children: ages 6-12

Students: ages 13-17

Adults: ages 18 +

Are there any other financial considerations?

If you don't have equipment then you'll need to pay for those separate from our cost ***Credit Card required on site**: Snowboard/Ski rental: \$40-\$48 per day. All participants are **REQUIRED** to wear a helmet: \$13 a day. This price reflects the 20% advance reservation discount. Beginning lessons are available (we require lessons if you've never skied or snowboarded before): Pricing may vary. Because of the rising cost of on-site lessons, we recommend having a lesson before you head out to Colorado. Food on the way out and returning (all fast food restaurants include 2 meals out and 3 meals returning): \$40 minimum for both ways. Snacks while at the ranch or Winter Park Resort are not included.

How much would it cost if I didn't go with 2nd Mile Adventures?

The Grand total cost of this trip is \$1,428 if you tried to go on the trip alone. This is based on a solo trip, eating McDonalds for every meal (\$14 per meal), Lodging at Best Western 5 nights (\$140 per night), and 4 day lift ticket at adult pricing, because there is no student pricing outside of group rates (\$476). Even if you add another traveler to help with the cost, it is still double our price! And this price does NOT include fuel or airfare!