

# Avalanche Education

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The Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center, in conjunction with the Friends of the GNFAAC, is dedicated to providing avalanche education to all backcountry users that enjoy the vast outdoor resources of southwest Montana. Attending an avalanche awareness program, whether it's a one hour awareness talk or a three day course, is a great way to become informed on how to travel safely in the backcountry.

Attending a class with your riding partners or family members is a productive way to become familiar with avalanche awareness, and is a great way to start out the season. Classes start in mid November and continue into February. The education schedule for this season's programs is as follows:

## **Big Sky**

Basic 1 hour awareness @ Grizzly Outfitters, Big Sky, MT Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-8:00pm

## **Big Timber**

Basic 1 hour awareness @ Big Timber High School Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-8:00pm

## **Billings**

Basic 1 hour awareness @ The Basecamp, Billings, MT Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-7:30pm

## **Bozeman**

Basic avalanche awareness course – Two evening classroom sessions @ MSU followed by a field day.

1<sup>st</sup> classroom session – Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ Leon Johnson Hall room 339

2<sup>nd</sup> classroom session – Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ Leon Johnson Hall room 339

Field Session – Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00am-3:00pm @ Bridger Bowl.

Basic 1 hour awareness @ REI Bozeman, MT Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-8pm

AAI Avalanche Level 1 @ Bridger Bowl – 3 Days

Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Avalanche awareness for snowmobilers – 2 days

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm-4:30pm @ Bozeman Public Library

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-3:00pm @ location TBD

Basic 1 hour awareness @ REI Bozeman, MT Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Basic avalanche awareness course – Two evening classroom sessions followed by a field day.

1<sup>st</sup> classroom session – Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ location TBD

2<sup>nd</sup> classroom session – Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ location TBD

Field Session – Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-3:00pm @ Bridger Bowl

Advanced Avalanche Workshop – Two evening classroom sessions followed by one field day.

1<sup>st</sup> classroom session – Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ location TBD

2<sup>nd</sup> classroom session – Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00pm-9:30pm @ location TBD

Field session – Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-4:00pm @ Bridger Bowl

AAI Avalanche Level 2 @ Bridger Bowl – 4 days

Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

AAI Avalanche Level 1@ Bridger Bowl – 4 days

Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-4:00pm

## **Helena**

Basic 1 hour awareness @ The Basecamp, Helena, MT Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-7:30pm

## **West Yellowstone**

Avalanche Awareness Course for Snowmobile Guides/Public - 2 days

Classroom session – Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm-4:30pm @ Holiday Inn in West Yellowstone

Field session – Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-3:00pm @ location TBD

For more information on the classes and courses listed: Please visit your website at [mtavalanche.com](http://mtavalanche.com).