

## **United States Ski and Snowboard Association Membership Information for Wyoming High School Skiers**

The U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association (USSA) is the national governing body of Olympic skiing and snowboarding. It is the parent organization of the U.S. Ski Team, U.S. Snowboarding and U.S. Freeskiing. The USSA provides leadership and direction for tens of thousands of young skiers and snowboarders, encouraging and supporting them in achieving excellence. By empowering national teams, clubs, coaches, parents, officials, volunteers and fans, the USSA is committed to the progression of its sports and athlete success. Established in 1905, the USSA receives no direct government support, operating solely through private donations from individuals, corporations and foundations to fund athletic programs to assist athletes in reaching their dreams.

**This year, several of our Wyoming High School Activities Association sanctioned races are also USSA sanctioned races (Jackson, Casper, Laramie). The advantage for our Wyoming skiers is that they have the opportunity to limit travel time while still competing against skiers from other states and gaining USSA National Ranking List points.**

**All WHSAA skiers need to purchase the one-time per season \$15 general membership to be eligible to compete in USSA sanctioned races.**

However, if you are trying out for High Plains it is highly recommended that you purchase the one-time per season \$95 Competitor License which allows you to acquire USSA points. You are required to have a USSA Competitor License to compete at Junior Nationals and the lower points you have, the better your seeding at USSA sanctioned races, including Junior Nationals. You can only acquire USSA NRL points by having the Competitor License PRIOR to that race start.

Visit <http://my.ussa.org/membership/start> to purchase your membership.

- **Sport is Cross-Country (not Nordic Combined)**
- **Division is Northern**
- **Club Affiliation is High Plains**

**Please complete BEFORE DECEMBER 1st and submit your USSA number to Coach Norm so that it can be used for your race registration for Jackson. If you have any questions, feel free to email [emilymtilden@gmail.com](mailto:emilymtilden@gmail.com) or call 307-349-7370.**