



## **Balarat Outdoor Education Center**

The Balarat Outdoor Education Center is a 700-acre, District owned facility, which is located in the foothills northwest of Boulder, Colorado. Balarat activities encompass three distinct foci: environmental sciences, conservation awareness, and outdoor education. The Center is the central feature of a multi-faceted program, which offers the following educational opportunities:

### **Elementary Schools**

- Residential Excursions (2-day/1-night in length)
- Day Excursions

### **Middle Schools**

- Day Excursions
- Special Residential Programs

### **High Schools**

- An alternative semester (internship) for juniors and seniors
- Community Service Education (Resident Counselors)
- Day Excursions

### **General**

- Inservice workshops for school and administrative staffs
- Outreach – program facilitation for other school districts & community groups

Balarat operates throughout the school year, facilitating outdoor learning by providing instructional materials, resource teachers, special outdoor learning sites, management of transportation, and housing and food service for overnight/residential excursions.

Balarat's educational mission is to augment that which is occurring within the classroom and to link theory to experience through directed opportunities in a natural setting.

Please contact Balarat through our Denver office: 720-424-2940 or learn more on the Web: <http://balarat.dpsk12.org/>