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NORTHWEST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO OFFER A SNOWMOBILE SAFETY COURSE

Iowa's snowmobile safety course will be taught at Northwest Iowa Community College, on Saturday, December 11, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room 431 in Building D. This safety course, prepared by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, will be taught by local snowmobile enthusiasts.

Pre-registration and prepayment information can be obtained by calling the Continuing Education office locally at 324-5061 or toll-free 1-800-352-4907. Please be prepared to give your social security number and appropriate section number (#23216) when pre-registering. A fee of \$15.00 will be charged for the course. Students will need to bring snowmobile gear and a helmet. They will also need to bring a sack lunch for a short noon break. Students will receive a waiver form after registering for the class. This form needs to be completed and brought to the class with them.

Iowa's Snowmobile law requires that anyone under 18 years of age obtain a snowmobile Safety Certificate before they may lawfully operate a snowmobile on public land or land purchased with snowmobile registration funds. Students must be 12 years old on or before the class date in order to enroll.

Individuals may qualify for their safety certification by taking the Iowa Snowmobile course and passing the written and practical examination. A small fee is charged to offset cost of materials and administration. The course content will cover winter clothing, machine safety, snowmobile highway laws and regulations, and riding procedures. Workbooks and visual aids graphically illustrating the basic safety requirements and precautions will be used in teaching the course. The goal of the course is to develop safe attitudes in all Iowa snowmobilers.