

Education

Fernie has three elementary schools (two public and one independent) and one public high school.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT	LEVEL
Max Turyk Elementary School	121	K-7
Isabella Dicken Elementary School	221	K-7
The Fernie Academy	108	K-6

SECONDARY SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT	LEVEL
Fernie Secondary School	414	8 to 12

The **Fernie Learning Centre** offers courses for adults leading to the successful completion of high school diplomas and the acquisition of valuable labour market skills. It also provides flexible course scheduling to allow high school students to pursue elite athletics in sports like skiing, snowboarding, hockey or figure skating.

Post-secondary courses are available through the Fernie campus of the **College of the Rockies**, which is a seven-campus regional college headquartered in nearby Cranbrook. Programs offered include:

- Mountain Activities Skills Training (MAST) – a 9-month program in a full range of outdoor recreational activities;
- Winter Guide and Patrol Training (WGPT) – a 4-month program providing advanced training in backcountry ski touring as well as certification and job placement;
- Resident Care Aid and Licensed Practical Nursing programs (on a rotating basis at the Fernie campus);
- A variety of Adult Basic Education and Continuing Education courses, including 175 courses that are available through online education.

Other post-secondary courses are available through the main College of the Rockies campus in Cranbrook, located one hour to the west of Fernie.