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JOHN F. RUSSELL/STAFF

Eight-year-old Katilana Viglielmo of Woodstock, N.Y., makes her way down the slalom course set up on upper Bashor ski run Friday morning. Viglielmo was one of nearly 1,400 skiers in town for the NASTAR National Championships, which are taking place at Steamboat Ski Area. Competitors range in age from 3 to 90. For more, see page 17.

CSAPs bring March Madness

Preparing for state-mandated tests a lesson in organization for schools

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In her office at Steamboat Springs High School, Carole Buelter has a stack of papers covered in pen marks, cross-outs and arrows. It's messier than an NCAA tournament bracket.

The papers aren't tests, essays or pop quizzes. They are schedules determining when more than 300 high school students will take the Colorado Student Assessment Program tests, which begin for most middle and high school students Tuesday.

For Buelter, in her first year

as the high school's learning support specialist, administering the tests may mean the hardest part of CSAPs is over. The standardized, state-mandated annual tests help determine a school's accountability rating and the academic progress of students in grades three through 10. The tests come

wrapped in cellophane and piled in enough boxes to cover a conference-size table. There are individual name tags for each student and separate tests for reading, writing, math and science.

Sorting it out is not easy,

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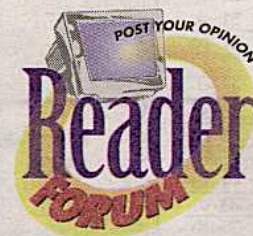
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SKI TOWN USA SNOW REPORT

Steamboat Ski Area

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|--------------------------|---------|-------------|----------------------|
| New snow — Mid-mountain* | 0 in. | Total snow: | 405 in. |
| New snow — Summit | 0 in. | Trails open | 164/164 |
| Base — Mid-mountain | 73 in. | Lifts open | 20/20 |
| Base — Summit | 100 in. | Conditions | Packed powder/spring |

*24-hour snowfall as of 12:30 p.m. previous day; †total snow beginning Nov. 4 as measured at mid-mountain



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