

Bike Newport is Hiring: ASSISTANT BIKE SAFETY EDUCATORS

These are seasonal positions from April to October.

Priority is given to bilingual educators (English/Spanish)

Educators may work all of some of the assignments.

In accepting an offered position, the educator commits to remain through the season.

Counselors receive informal "Check-In's" during the summer for reflection and feedback on their job performance.

WORKING AT BIKE NEWPORT:

Bike Newport Mission: to create the conditions that lead to more people biking more often, and to ensure that bicycling is a viable, safe, and comfortable primary choice for transportation and recreation.

Bike Newport Vision: More people feel confident and supported to choose biking for both transportation and recreation. Everyone who wants to ride rides whenever they want.

Bike Newport is an exciting fast-paced leader in bicycle advocacy. We bring together community programs and leaders to establish positive outcomes for bicycling in Newport and Aquidneck Island, and to influence statewide bicycle planning. Our goal is to get more people on bicycles for both recreation and transportation, and we make progress by focusing on three primary areas: safe road infrastructure, road sharing education, and building bicycle culture. We work with the intention to ensure equity in access, participation, and leadership, with a focus on removing obstacles to bicycling such as location, personal mobility, income, language, gender, culture, race, and more.

JOB DESCRIPTION:

This educator will assist with In-School bike safety programs at Newport Public Schools, Summer Bike Camp, and the Bike Library at Bike Newport's Big Blue Bike Barn. Training provided.

In-School programs take place during morning hours for six weeks April/May and September/October. The educator will assist the Lead Instructor with bike safety education for 3rd and 5th graders, helping students learn bicycle riding skills and safety.

Bike Library is open from April - October, Monday to Friday 3-6pm, and Saturdays 9-5. The educator supports Newport youth borrowing bikes, riding the Pump Track and the trails in Miantonomi Park, and repairing their bikes.

Summer Bike Camp is July 1- Aug 19, Monday to Friday, 8am-3pm. In six one-week sessions kids ride, explore, create, and have fun! Our team of counselors keep things running smoothly, help the campers ride and work together as a team, build rapport and community, and make the summer memorable. Educators spend the days outside while inspiring the next generation of cyclists. Counselor training includes bike safety, group rides, security and safety, emergency management, behavior management, food and health safety, and more.

Responsibilities

- Complete Bike Newport training in bicycle safety and instruction
- Ensure the safety, well-being and health of students and campers (ages 8-16)
- Support bike rides ranging from 1 mile to 15 miles in length
- Actively introduce children to new bike skills
- Help organize group activities and team-building exercises
- Provide engagement, humor, and a positive spirit as a role model for the campers
- Communicate regularly with parents about their child's progress.
- Clean, help repair, and maintain all bikes. Keep program sheds organized.
- Evaluate and provide feedback on Bike Camp afterwards.

Qualifications

- 0-2 years experience working with youth, preferably in a summer camp environment or similar.
- A passion for and knowledge of teaching children.
- Interest in bicycles and biking and sharing that interest with your students.
- Must be able to ride a bike in city traffic with competence and confidence enough to pay attention to the actions and well-being of other riders.
- Understanding of and ability to communicate safe biking practices.
- Must pass a criminal background check.
- High school diploma or equivalent strongly preferred.
- A strong desire to learn and develop as a leader.
- CPR/First aid/Lifeguard preferred
- Preference given to bilingual (English/Spanish) candidates

To apply: Please send your letter of interest telling us why you would like to work as a bike safety educator with Bike Newport. Tell us your availability and interest for In-School, Bike Library, and/or Summer Bike Camp programs. And include your resume. Email all to Clare Woodhead, Bike Newport Director of Education, clare@bikenewportri.org

We look forward to reading your application and will contact you if you are selected for an interview. In the interim, if you should have any questions or require additional information please do not hesitate to contact clare@bikenewportri.org.

Thank you for your interest.