

Wanted - Children's Bicycle Safety Program Instructors

The North Natomas Transportation Management Association, (NNTMA) (www.nntma.org) is a small community based non-profit. The NNTMA Schools Program works with elementary and middle schools in North Natomas to promote sustainable transportation. One of its programs is teaching a bicycle safety and skill development course over ten sessions, taught through a combination of classroom and on-bike activities. The NNTMA seeks to recruit and provide training for a pool of Bicycle Safety Program Instructors who will work on a contract basis to teach these courses. Typical physical demands will include prolonged standing, some bending, stooping, stretching, lifting, walking and much biking. This position requires normal range of hearing and eye sight to teach and observe students. Working primarily outdoors is to be expected and will include varying weather conditions.

Requirements

Desired applicants must:

- Have the interest and a keen ability to engage and teach groups of children between the ages of 9 to 12, (4th, 5th and 6th grades) of all backgrounds and abilities.
- Be an experienced and enthusiastic bicyclist and own their own bicycle, helmet and accessories such as a lock, lights, etc.
- Have excellent communication skills.
- Ability to create and modify lesson plans.
- Be available to teach courses during normal school hours, between *8am and 3pm, Monday through Friday*. Instructors will be hired on a contract basis. Schedule will vary depending on school, number of classes participating and school schedule. Instructors may be hired to fulfill up to five contracts a year, with each contract being between 2 to 6 weeks in duration. Contracts will be a lump sum, based on the predetermined equivalent to the number of hours required to prepare for and teach the course, with some administrative duties. The hourly equivalent will be between \$20-\$30, depending on experience and ability.
- Have a clean criminal background and be willing to be fingerprinted and have a Department of Justice background check completed, as required by the school district volunteer policy.
- Be able to be certified as a League of American Bicyclists, League Certified Instructor (LCI). See certification requirements below.

Required Certification

Desired applicants must able to be certified by the League of American Bicyclists (www.bikeleague.org), as a League Certified Instructor (LCI). The NNTMA will cover the cost of eligible applicant's LCI Seminar certification fees and half of the mandatory Traffic Safety 101 Bicycle Education class fee, (for a total of \$225), while applicants must pay for their own yearly membership fees to the League of American Bicyclists, and keep their membership current. Annual membership starts at \$35 per year.

Prerequisite for becoming an LCI:

- Passing the Traffic Safety 101 Bicycle Education class with a score of 85% or higher. This class is 9 hours long and will be taught over 3 sessions. Two classes are available to choose from:
 1. **January 27th (6-8pm), January 30th (9am-12:30pm), and February 6th (9am-12:30pm), 2010.** All three session will be held at the Bicycle Chef, 3184 N St. Sacramento, 95816.*
 2. **February 4th and 5th (6pm - 8:30pm), and February 13th (9am - 4pm), 2010.** All three session will be held in Roseville, location to be determined.*
- Complete a pre-seminar examination using provided study materials including a manual and DVD.
- Practice bike handling skills and techniques in advance of the LCI Certification Seminar, as outlined in the Traffic Safety 101 Bicycle Education class and study materials.
- Attend and successfully complete the LCI Certification Seminar over the course of 2.5 days, the Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday, the weekend of **March 5th, 6th and 7th, 2010.** *

All applicants must be available to attend **one of the Traffic Safety 101 classes **and** the LCI Certification Seminar on these dates, or be already LCI certified and in good standing.*

To apply for sponsorship into the LCI Certification Seminar, and consideration to become a Children's Bicycle Safety Program Instructor with the NNTMA, please e-mail a brief description of your background and availability to Mellissa Meng at, mellissa@nntma.org. Thank you!