

Wanted - Children's Bicycle Instructors

North Natomas Jibe, (www.jibe.org) is a small community-based non-profit. The Jibe school programs works with elementary schools in North Natomas to promote sustainable transportation. One of its programs is teaching a bicycle safety and skill development course, Project Ride Smart, over ten sessions, taught through a combination of classroom and on-bike activities. Jibe seeks to recruit and provide training for a pool of certified, skilled Bicycle Instructors who will teach these courses. Typical physical demands will include prolonged standing, bending, stooping, stretching, lifting up to 40 lbs, walking and biking. This position requires normal range of hearing and vision 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. Classroom management skills will be essential.
- Be an enthusiastic bicyclist (or willing to learn) and own their own bicycle and helmet.
- Be available to teach courses during normal school hours, ranging between *7am and 4pm, Monday through Friday*, depending on school schedule. Teaching schedule will vary depending on school, number of classes and bell schedule. Instructors will be hired for specific school sessions. Instructors may be hired to fulfill up to five sessions a year, with each session being between 3.5 and 6 hours a day, 2 to 4 weeks in duration. The hourly rate will be between \$17-\$35, depending on experience and ability.
- Have excellent communication and organizational skills.
- Have a clean criminal background, 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 Cycling Instructor (LCI). See certification requirements below.

Required Certification

Desired applicants must able to be certified by the League of American Bicyclists as a League Cycling Instructor (LCI), (www.bikeleague.org/content/become-instructor). Jibe will cover the cost of the eligible applicant's Smart Cycling class fee, and \$300 of the LCI Seminar certification fees (for a total of \$365), while applicants must pay \$50 towards the LCI Seminar certification fees, as well as their own yearly membership fees to the League of American Bicyclists. Annual LCI membership starts at \$65 per year.

Prerequisite for becoming an LCI:

- Passing the Smart Cycling Complete Class with a score of 85% or higher. This class is 9 hours long and will be taught over 2 sessions (2 classes available, both class options will be held in North Natomas):
 1. **December 6th (5:30 -8:30 pm), and December 8th (9-4pm), 2018.**
 2. **January 8th (5:30 -8 pm), and January 12th (9-4pm), 2019.**
- 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 Smart Cycling Complete 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, **February 1, 2, 3 ***.

All applicants must be available to attend one of the Smart Cycling classes **and the LCI Certification Seminar.*

To apply for sponsorship for the LCI training, and consideration to become a Children's Bicycle Instructor with North Natomas Jibe, please e-mail a brief description of your background and availability to Mellissa Meng at mellissa@jibe.org. Thank you!