

Coach in Training

Get a leg up on all of your peers. This internship-like program will give you practical experience that will help you get a job in a variety of fields. Perfect for any one considering a career where you have to talk to people. ***No Skiing or Riding Experience is required (We are very skilled at teaching skiing and riding)***, if you are an outgoing individual, eager to learn about teaching, skiing or riding, this program is for you.

You must be 14 years old by January 1, 2024, but not yet 16 years old.

Learn the fundamentals of teaching and coaching specifically applied to snow sports, gain hands-on experience assisting experienced instructors with actual lessons and improve your own skiing/riding. Gain experience communicating with supervisors, peers, the general public, parents and children. Develop time management and conflict resolution strategies that will help you no matter what you choose to do. An added benefit to participating in this program is all of these hours can be counted as community service hours which many high schools require prior to graduation.

Using the most cutting edge instruction in the industry, you will develop your own skiing/riding as well as the ability to teach to groups of all ages. If you are 14 years old with an interest in becoming a coach, enjoy working with children and have an outgoing personality, the C.i.T. program will give you a jumpstart to getting that first job, whether it's as a qualified professional snow sports coach or any other job where you need to talk to people. At the end of the training you will receive an individual evaluation of your potential as a ski or snowboard instructor. Qualified participants will be invited to join the Powder Ridge Training Center when they turn 16.

Additionally, we are also offering enrollment into our PSIA/AASI Junior Instructor Certificate Program. This will require some additional time and dedication, completing (3) 1-hour online modules and a 12-Hour training program lead by our Level 2 certified coaches. By completing this program you will receive an official PSIA/AASI Junior Instructor Certificate.

Enrollment in the training is limited. Participants must submit a completed application by the program deadline. Selection will be based on the strength of your application, your references and your performance in an interview with one of the coaches. The CiT program cost is \$250, payable after acceptance into the program and includes a Powder Ridge Season Pass. The PSIA/AASI Junior Certificate program is an additional \$50. CiTs must have their own gear. Powder Ridge can offer exceptional deals on seasonal rentals for program participants.

Please complete the Coach in Training Application. Application deadline is December 1. For additional information or questions please contact Tom Loring or Sam Speirs at Powder Ridge.

Day	Dates	Times
Weeknights	January 2024 - March 2024	2:30pm - 8:00pm
Saturdays & Sundays	January 2024 - March 2024	8:30am - 4:30pm

In addition, choose either Monday Martin Luther King or President's Day

First name: _____ **Last name:** _____

Address: _____ **City/State/Zip:** _____

Applicant's home phone: _____ **Applicant's cell phone:** _____

Applicant's e-mail address: _____ **Date of birth:** _____

I wish to participate in the Coach in Training Program as a: **skier** **snowboarder**

(you will have the opportunity to do both)

I am also interested in: **freestyle** **race**

I would also like to become certified as a PSIA/AASI Junior Instructor _____

(Initial here) _____ I understand that the certificate program requires me to complete online modules & complete the 12 hour in-person training program with a mentor. I also understand that my mentor must sign off after each session.

The day I would prefer to participate in the C.i.T. program is: **Saturdays** **Sundays** **Weeknights**

I will also attend (circle): **MLK Monday** **President's Monday**

Parent/Guardian:

First name: _____ **Last name:** _____

Relationship: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Email:** _____

Experience:

Number of years of experience: Skiing _____ Snowboarding _____

The type of terrain I prefer is: _____ Groomed _____ Park & Pipe _____ Bumps _____ Trees/Off Piste

I have participated in formal skiing/snowboarding lessons: **(yes/no)**

Education: Current school: _____ Current grade: _____

Extra-curricular activities (include any leadership positions you have held):

Describe any experience you have had working with children and how you think that would benefit you in this program:

Of what importance is skiing/snowboarding or other outdoor activity(NO skiing or snowboarding skills are required) in your life and how does that relate to your applying to the Powder Ridge Coach in Training program?

How did you hear about the C.i.T. program?

I understand this is a development program requiring scheduled attendance and I may be terminated from the program for poor attendance, inappropriate behavior or for any reason as determined by the coach, Powder Ridge Training Center Supervisors and Powder Ridge management.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____ Date: _____

Please return this application by December 1 to: Powder Ridge Training Center, Tom Loring, or Sam Speirs in person or by e-mail: tloring@powderridgepark.com & trainingcenter@powderridgepark.com

You will be notified when your application has been received and reviewed and if you are invited to continue, one of our coaches will contact you to arrange an interview. If you are accepted into the program you will be asked to pay the \$250 program fee (and the \$50 certificate fee if applicable) and a \$50 jacket deposit at that time. The jacket deposit is refunded when you return the jacket at the end of the season.

Please do not send any money now.