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Summer Laser and 420 Coach Job Description

About the Community Sailing Center (CSC)

Our mission is to encourage and celebrate the responsible use and long-term stewardship of Lake Champlain by fostering educational and recreational opportunities for all members of our community. The Community Sailing Center is unique. We are sailors, paddlers and recreation enthusiasts who share a deep passion for Lake Champlain because we live near and recreate in it regularly. We believe everyone deserves to play on, learn from and ultimately take care of Vermont's greatest natural resource, Lake Champlain.

The CSC is located on the waterfront in Burlington, VT and has been operating for 20 years. As the only Community Sailing Center in the state the CSC offers a variety of programs for youth, adult, students, and the visiting sailing and paddling enthusiast. We also host several signature events each year bringing the community together to celebrate the Lake. CSC's diverse programs range from recreational to racing, accommodating every sailor. Our fleet is composed of Open Bics, Hartley 10s, Escapes, 420's, Lasers, Sonars, Rhodes 19s, and Stand Up Paddleboards.

Beyond coaching at the CSC, Burlington has numerous opportunities to offer. There are several yacht clubs in the nearby towns providing racing almost daily on dinghies and keelboats. Lake Champlain is a destination for larger regattas each summer as well. Local sailors are always interested in having new crew. If sailing in your free time isn't for you there are numerous opportunities to get outside from hiking mountains to beautiful swimming holes and biking trails there is something for everyone. Downtown Burlington is just minutes away from the CSC and supports a lively music scene with a multitude of delicious local food eateries.

Overview

The Summer Race Coach is responsible for the Summer Race Team and Level 3 (advanced sailing, non-racing program). He/She will plan and run all practices throughout the 8-week season and support regular sailing programs as necessary the week prior to and after the 8-week season. The coach will support the Program Director with regatta coordination, coordinate travel arrangements and attend all regattas, home and away. He/She will be in contact with parents, other teams, and regatta coordinators and therefore must be friendly, courteous, and knowledgeable of the rules, regulations and operations of the Center. The candidate must be enthusiastic about the sport of sailing and seek to expose students (both youth and adult) to the fundamentals of sailing as well as the importance of the natural environment in which we sail.

Position Dates: June 6-August 28

**This position can be combined with our High School Sailing Coach, allowing for a 6-month position in Vermont. Additional hours available in spring and fall as well to supplement work schedule.*

Responsible to: Program Director

Qualifications

1. Strong background in dinghy racing (spinnaker and trapeze) and experience sailing keelboats.
2. Experience coaching sailing at high school and/or college level.
3. Experience in race management including but not limited to course management, scoring, protests, etc.
4. Capable of general boat maintenance.



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5. VT State Boater's license or out of state equivalent (available online).
6. Current First Aid/CPR certification.
7. Level 2 US Sailing Small Boat Instructor Certification preferred.
8. Current CDC Concussion Training (available online, free).
9. Excellent organization, communication, and team management skills.
10. Must have a passion for sailing, the environment and working with kids.
11. Must have a positive, enthusiastic and flexible attitude.
12. Valid US driver's license preferred.

Responsibilities- The Summer Race Coach must be able to:

1. Teach safety, boat handling and sailing theory to students in dinghies who are beginning, intermediate or advanced racing sailors.
2. Support the Program Director with regatta planning and execution.
3. Attend occasional full day regattas locally and regionally.
4. Works well with teenagers, motivates, inspires and trains them in boat handling and tactics.
5. Develop and implement lesson plans, new curriculum, and complete all required reports and evaluations.
6. Have empathy for the sailors and be able to adapt to their individual needs.
7. Responsible for teaching and enforcing proper care and storage of all Center equipment and boats.
8. When scheduled, act as Race Committee during Center sponsored races.
9. Enforce all policies of the Center and maintain a safe learning environment for sailors.
10. Complete basic environmental activities with the students throughout the week (support provided).
11. Perform additional tasks to assist in outreach of organization: blog posts, interviews, etc.
12. Communicate with parents, sailors, and other CSC staff and users effectively and with respect.

Salary

Full-time salary for the summer season commensurate with experience.

An hourly rate will be provided should the applicant be interested in having a full-time position in the spring and the fall as well as the summer.