



ANNOUNCEMENT:

NYSEF seeks a well-rounded, experienced coach who understands nordic skiing from an athlete's perspective as well as from a program management perspective.

The Head Cross-Country coach needs to understand the technology, technique, physical and mental demands required for success at all levels of racing. It is critical that this coach understands the development needs for high performing athletes from the development ages through the collegiate and national team levels.

This coach will work directly with NYSEF nordic athletes as well as contribute to the overall development of the NYSEF program - which oversees athletes in all disciplines and ages. There is a particular need for collaboration between the nordic disciplines in this position: biathlon, cross-country, nordic combined and ski jumping.

The ideal candidate will be able to connect with each athlete and bring together all athletes and their families to create a positive team culture that inspires each athlete to make their dreams a reality. The candidate will contribute to create a healthy environment by working closely with all coaches, staff members, parents and supporters within the greater NYSEF community.

OVERVIEW:

The New York Ski Educational Foundation (NYSEF) is one of the leading snowsport programs in the United States. Founded in 1973, the organization has evolved from a dream to offering athletes of all ages a centralized training program providing a multi-discipline operation that supports athletes in alpine, biathlon, cross country, freestyle skiing, nordic combined, ski jumping and snowboarding. NYSEF has developed athletes at the national and Olympic level across many winter sports including: alpine, freestyle, skiercross, ski jumping, cross-country, biathlon and nordic combined since its inception.

NYSEF partners with the Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) and their venues in and around Lake Placid, NY including Mount Van Hoevenberg and Olympic Jumping Complex. NYSEF also has a partnership with Northwood School, a coeducational, independent boarding school in Lake Placid, New York. It is the mission of the NYSEF to provide opportunities for athletes of all ages to reach their potential in snowsports - alpine, freestyle skiing, snowboarding, ski jumping, cross country skiing, nordic combined and biathlon through professional guidance and financial support.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Responsibilities include:

- In this full-time year-round position, the Head Cross-Country Coach will manage all athletic preparation and competition programming for all NYSEF athletes including on-snow camps and conditioning programs.
- In this role, the Cross-Country Coach will deliver a competitive program and work with other coaching staff to support the nordic ski operations at NYSEF (including biathlon and Nordic Combined).

Duties include, but not limited to:

- Preparation and competition season planning and execution of training, summer and pre-season camps, competitions and travel
- Supporting athlete development on and off the snow leveraging performance data analysis
- Coordination of program logistics including overseeing project revenues and expenses
- Lead organization of a limited number of club roller-ski and on-snow races and events
- Clear communication strategy with all stakeholders
- Ongoing equipment guidance and support with extensive knowledge of waxing and facilities
- Work collaboratively with all NYSEF staff to further the organization through strong teamwork

EXPERIENCE:

- Experience working with nordic programs at the regional and national levels and/or international levels
- Experience with governing bodies including US Ski and Snowboard, US Biathlon and/or USA Nordic
- Thorough understanding of wax, structure and ski selection
- Extensive knowledge of competition venues, regulations and protocols
- Excellent organizational and logistical skills
- Strong leadership and communication skills

FOLLOW UP:

The position will report to the Executive Director and will work in collaboration with venue managers, staff, the board of directors and local community partners. This position is located primarily in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest and resume to johnnn@nysef.org.

The New York Ski Educational Foundation (NYSEF) is a non-profit organization offering competitive snow sport programs to athletes of all ages to reach their potential in snow sports through professional guidance and financial support.