



2022 RIPROAR YOUTH TRIATHLON MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

What is the Mentorship Program:

The RipRoar Mentorship program was started in 2016 to connect first-time triathletes with seasoned athletes that had aged out from RipRoar's standard competitions. The program is designed to help athletes that are new to the sport feel welcomed, confident and accomplished in their first racing experience. The impact of a RipRoar mentor begins long before race day and has the potential to last a lifetime.

For the mentor, the program is an opportunity to serve a community they are passionate about while developing communication + leadership skills as well as acquiring valuable work experience. Like the sport of triathlon itself, being a mentor can be demanding and involve some sacrifices. Those willing to rise to this challenge are rewarded with a small scholarship, a custom piece of RipRoar clothing and potential future contracted work opportunities with our staff.

Requirements:

Mentors will be selected for a specific 2021 RipRoar Youth Triathlon event based on their location and availability. Unless otherwise discussed, mentors are asked to join the race staff starting at 8:15am on the Friday of their race, and are required to stay through the award ceremony following the event (on Saturday).

Prior to the event: The mentors will be forwarded the names and contact information of first-time triathletes that have registered for their specific event to reach out to and help answer questions and encourage the new registrant. Mentors copy RipRoar staff members on all emails, but are largely responsible for the individual communications with first-time triathletes. RipRoar will also provide mentors with supplies to create posters for first-time athletes.

Day Before The Event: Mentors join the RipRoar staff in producing the event from start to finish.

This role will provide the mentor with a work experience that shows a full picture of what goes into production of a triathlon. During the packet pick up hours, mentors will manage the "Team RipRoar" tent which will be the central meeting place for all first-time athletes. This part of the role can be stressful and challenging. Yet, many mentors later say it was their favorite part. Additionally, those that find their niche within this aspect of their role often receive paid job opportunities with our staff at future events.

Day of Event: Consider yourself a coach, cheerleader and mentor wrapped into one. Making the first-time triathletes feel like the rock stars they are while being an ambassador for the brand and sport.

Day After Event: Following the event we encourage you to send out one final contact to say congrats and share a highlight of the weekend with the athlete!

Mentor receives:

Along with being a part of something that encourages and empowers youth athletes, mentors will receive a \$375 scholarship to help continue their education as well as a custom RipRoar Mentor shirt. Mentors also receive up to 20 volunteer hours (if required by their school/honor society) as well as a visa gift card to assist with the purchase of art materials to build out the RipRoar Tent.

Please fill out the attached form to nominate a RipRoar Mentor for the 2022 season.



THE NEXT GENERATION OF TRIATHLON

2022 RipRoar Youth Triathlon Mentor Application/Nomination Form

If Nominating Someone Else:

NOMINATOR'S NAME : _____

NOMINATOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS : _____

NOMINATOR'S PHONE NUMBER : _____

Mentor Information:

NOMINEE'S NAME : _____

NOMINEE'S EMAIL ADDRESS : _____

NOMINEE'S PHONE NUMBER : _____

City mentor will be residing in this summer : _____

Races Nominee is Available for:

- June 25, 2022: Location TBD
- July 16, 2022: St. Charles, MO
- August 13, 2022: Omaha, NE
- July 9th, 2022: West Des Moines, IA
- August 20, 2022: Johnston, IA

What qualities would make this person a good fit as a RipRoar Youth Triathlon mentor?

Is this person interested in event production or future opportunities to continue to build RipRoar Youth Triathlons?

