



## Assistant Alpine Coach - U8 Program

**Position:** Assistant Alpine Coach - U8 Program

**Employment Type:** Full-time Seasonal (October 15th - April 15th)

**Organization:** Aspen Valley Ski & Snowboard Club (AVSC)

**Reports To:** Alpine Director

**Position Overview:** The Lead Alpine Coach for the U8 program will work directly with developing athletes ages 6-7, focusing on building strong fundamental skiing skills while fostering a positive, fun learning environment. The coach will assist in all aspects of the U8 training program, including on-snow training, equipment guidance, and athlete development.

**Why Join Our Team:** AVSC coaches enjoy unparalleled access to four phenomenal mountains (Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, and Snowmass) that provide world-class training venues frequented by the best athletes in the world. Our exceptional location offers reliable training conditions from mid-November through mid-May, providing one of the longest and most consistent training seasons in the United States. Coaches at AVSC have the opportunity to develop athletes in a valley that's hosted 80+ World Cup events, while being part of a supportive community that values winter sports excellence and holistic athlete development.

### Key Responsibilities

- Assist in planning and executing age-appropriate training sessions focused on fundamental skiing skills
- Support athletes in developing proper technique and movement patterns through drills and guided practice
- Help maintain a safe training environment with appropriate progressions for young athletes
- Contribute to course setting suitable for U8 skill development
- Assist with athlete management during competitions
- Provide constructive feedback to athletes in a positive, confidence-building manner
- Help with equipment set up and maintenance guidance for U8 athletes and parents
- Support administrative tasks including attendance tracking and progress reports
- Assist with booking travel arrangements for team competitions
- Attend team meetings and coaching education opportunities
- Maintain regular communication about programming with head coach and program director
- Provide responsive communication via email, phone, and text with staff, coaches, athletes, and parents
- Assist with proper maintenance of training equipment, radios, and video equipment



- Help manage program budget and submit timely expense reports within two weeks of project completion

## **Qualifications**

- U.S. Ski & Snowboard Level 100 Coaching Certification required (Level 200 preferred)
- Prior experience working with young athletes (8-11 years) preferred
- Strong skiing abilities with a solid understanding of fundamentals
- Demonstrated ability to teach technical skills to developing athletes
- Team player who demonstrates loyalty to the organization
- Excellent communication skills with ability to effectively engage with young athletes and parents
- Self-starter with strong organizational skills
- Computer skills including basic video analysis, email, spreadsheet, and word processing
- Confident using technology for training analysis, communication, and administrative tasks
- First Aid and CPR certification (or willingness to obtain before season)
- Valid driver's license with clean driving record
- Ability to drive team vehicles for local transportation
- Ability to lift and carry equipment (gates, drills, etc.) while on skis
- Passion for developing young skiers and contributing to team culture

## **Preferred Qualifications**

- NSCA (National Strength and Conditioning Association) certification or equivalent.
- Previous racing experience at youth or collegiate level
- Experience with video analysis tools

## **Physical Requirements**

- Ability to ski at an advanced level in all conditions
- Capacity to demonstrate proper techniques to young athletes
- Ability to lift and move training equipment (gates, drills, etc.) while on skis
- Capable of working in varying weather conditions at altitude
- Ability to stand for extended periods in cold weather
- Capable of driving for moderate distances to local competitions

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## **Application Process**



Qualified candidates should submit a resume, cover letter highlighting relevant experience, and three professional references to [jlackie@teamavsc.org](mailto:jlackie@teamavsc.org) Please specify which coaching position(s) you are applying for in your application.

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