

FAQ - Bicycling Ambassadors Learn To Ride 2018

What is “Learn to Ride?” - Learn to Ride (LTR) is a class where adults can learn to ride a bike using Divvy Bike Share. The class is free to anyone who signs up and offered throughout the summer. Classes are offered every other Monday, Thursday and Saturday from June 11 – August 25 at Kennedy King College, Seward Park, or the Chicago Center for Green Technology.

Do I have to pay anything? - No, the class is absolutely free.

How long is the class? - The class is 2 hours long, from 6-8 pm during the week, and from 10 am – 12 pm or 1 – 3 pm on Saturdays.

How many people can sign up? – 4-6 people can sign up for each class, and we offer 24 classes in 2018.

Can I sign up for my child? - Yes, BUT WE CANNOT PROVIDE THEIR BIKE. We can teach younger riders, but due to Divvy’s age restriction requirements if the student is younger than 16 they will need to bring their own bike to use for the lesson.

Where is it? – Monday classes are held at Kennedy King College from 6 – 8 pm; Thursday classes are held at Seward Park from 6 – 8 pm; Saturday classes are held at the Chicago Center for Green Technology from either 10 am – 12 pm, or 1 – 3 pm.

How do I sign up? – Email Lauren at lauren@chicagoCompletestreets.org and send in your preferred day of the week along with your age, height, phone number, and riding experience. You may also call (312)744-8147.

What if my date is full? – We will suggest another day. Each location will have 6 dates to sign up for, so you should be able to find an alternative.

What about bikes? Do I have need to bring my own? – We will provide Divvy bicycles for the lesson. Some shorter riders may not be comfortable using Divvy, usually under 5’4” tall. If you think you may need a smaller bike, make plans to bring your own.

Do I need a helmet? We will provide a new helmet for each participant. Participants can keep their helmets after the lesson is completed.

What about experience? Do I need to know anything about riding? – You can have any level of riding experience to participate, even no riding at all.

Who are the teachers? – The City of Chicago’s Bicycling Ambassadors. They are trained to teach this class, but also spend a great deal of time talking to people about riding bikes more and riding safely

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