

Apprenticeships Focus: Community Activator Coach

TVS Education provides apprenticeships for young people through the medium of sport. Hannah completed her Community Activator Coach apprenticeship with Premier Education Group.

Have you always wanted to work in the physical activity sector?

I began my employment going along the healthcare route initially, but sport had always been an interest of mine. I thought it would be beneficial for me to get a qualification in it whilst I was still young so that a few more doors would open.

What have you found to be the benefits of being an apprentice?

Most people you meet are happy to help when you need it. I gained a great deal of my knowledge from asking questions. This was often about ideas for lessons but also methods to use for behavioural management.

Do you have a stand-out/most rewarding moment from your apprenticeship?

With every lesson that ran smoothly from start to finish, I felt a great sense of achievement. I could see how much fun the children were having but also how much they had learnt. I also loved giving out the trophy/certificate at the end of every after-school club. I always tried to pick the child that expected it the least so that I could give them a boost to be more confident.

Can you describe the support you received from TVS tutors and your employer?

My tutor ran masterclasses, which helped massively. My manager from Premier Education was supportive in every way. She helped me to become a better coach, not only by helping with ideas, but by helping my confidence as a coach. She believed I could be better and knowing that someone felt that way helped me to believe it too.

Would you recommend an apprenticeship and why?

Yes! With the right support you can become a highly qualified person in your role. The process is steady, enabling everyone to progress at their own pace.

Task

List five benefits of an apprenticeship programme

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