



**USA CYCLING REGIONAL TALENT ID CAMP  
MID-ATLANTIC REGION  
NORTHAMPTON CC, BETHLEHEM, PA  
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USA Cycling is once again hosting a Talent ID Camp in the cycling rich region of the Lehigh Valley area of Pennsylvania. The camp is one of 13 camps nationally, and will be based in the cycling friendly area of Northampton Community College, in Bethlehem Township, PA. The area offers up friendly and quiet roads rich in cycling tradition.

As with previous camps, we will put a strong emphasis on: skills; athlete development on and off the bike; field testing, including both long and short power tests; a local training criterium to put skills and tactics to test; several track cycling sessions; and multiple seminars and discussions on topics such as: bike maintenance, preparation and training, nutrition, and our always popular Pro rider Q&A.

Located in close proximity to the nation's most revered outdoor velodrome--The Valley Preferred Cycling Center, aka, T-Town-- we are able to offer a very unique aspect to the camp experience with our track sessions. We do three (3) sessions in total: intro to track, professional race viewing, and amateur race competition. All of these sessions not only open doors for athletes with exposure to different disciplines of our sport, but also greatly compliment athlete's road skills, experience, development, and tactical nuance.

With our well-rounded focus, the camp is not only the ideal place to learn new skills and become a better overall cyclist, but to also gain exposure to USA Cycling in their quest to identify the next generation of top level athletes. USA Cycling uses these camps to help spot talent, and select riders that have the opportunity to attend National Camps, and potentially go on to gain national and international experience.

Over the years, we've had several Mid-Atlantic Camp athletes go on to bright futures in the sport: Max Korus (Astellas Pro Cycling; 2011 USA Elite National RR Champion), Robin Carpenter (Hincapie Sports Wear), Tom Soloday (Optum Pro Cycling), and Lenore Pipes (Colavita/Fine Cooking Pro Cycling) are just a few of the names to have come through, and used their camp experiences to climb to the highest ranks of the sport. And all who've participated have had a great time, and walked away with skills and knowledge to better their cycling careers.

As always, our staff is some of the most experienced and qualified available, and includes professional coaches, current and former team directors, as well as former professionals and current top level amateurs, with numerous national and world competition medals to their credit. Equally as important, all of our coaches have many years, if not decades, involved in the sport, and a wealth of knowledge and real world experiences that come with that. They are all students of the sport, with a deep passion to share their experiences to help nurture the next generation of athletes.

The camp is designed for both male and female participants, ages 14-22, and with at least some racing and training experience. Tuition ranges from \$750-\$850 depending on time of registration; and financial aid is also available through USA Cycling's Ed Burke Travel and Training Grants. For more information, please visit: <https://www.usacycling.org/regional-talent-id-camps.htm>. And for financial aid info, please visit: <https://s3.amazonaws.com/USACWeb/forms/usacdf/Ed-Burke-Travel-Training-Grant.pdf>

Additionally, some local associations or clubs may offer financial assistance for interested and qualified athletes. Please look into those to see what may be available.

2014 promises to be another great year at our Mid-Atlantic Camp, and we hope to see you there!