

GIRLS WHO CODE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP OVERVIEW



ABOUT GIRLS WHO CODE & THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM

Girls Who Code is a national non-profit organization working to close the gender gap in technology. Our programs inspire, educate, and equip girls with the computing skills they'll need to pursue 21st century opportunities.

The goal of the Summer Immersion Program is to educate, inspire, and equip rising 11th and 12th (current 10th and 11th grade) grade girls with the skills and resources necessary to pursue opportunities in computing fields, and ultimately, supports the vision of Girls Who Code vision to close the gender gap in the technology and engineering sectors.

SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM FORMAT

- 7-week Summer Program: Monday - Friday, 9am-4pm
- 20 rising 11th and 12th grade girls in each classroom location
- Three core program components:



Project-Based Learning

Learn computer science through real-world projects in art and storytelling, robotics, video games, web sites, apps and more!



Sisterhood

Join our supportive and diverse #squad! Stay connected with alumni after the summer and grow your network



Top Tech Companies

Spend your summer at the hottest tech companies in the world! Plus, connect with female engineers in the field

OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY



Girls Who Code values diversity, equity, and inclusion as essential to our mission. We focus our work not only on gender but also on young women who are historically underrepresented in CS fields.

50% of the girls we have served are from historically underrepresented groups. This includes girls who are Black, Latinx, and from low-income households.

OUR IMPACT

Our **5,000 college-aged alumni** are choosing to major in CS, or related fields, at a rate **15 times the national average**. Our outreach to historically underrepresented groups - particularly girls who are Black, Latinx, and from low-income households - is paying off too. Our Black and Latinx alumni are choosing to major in CS or related fields at a rate **16 times the national average**.

LEARN MORE AT THE [GIRLSWHOCODE.COM/SUMMER-IMMERSION-PROGRAMS](https://www.girlswhocode.com/summer-immersion-programs)

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BECOME A SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COMMUNITY PARTNER

Our organization relies on collaboration with community partners to create diverse Summer Immersion Program classrooms. Our **Summer Immersion Program Community Partners** work closely with Girls Who Code to encourage their students to apply for and ultimately attend the Summer Immersion Program

BENEFITS OF A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

- **Priority consideration** for eligible students who apply to the Summer Immersion Program.
- **A dedicated Girls Who Code staff member** to support your partnership representative.
- **Regular updates** on applications from your students.
- Access to our **Outreach Toolkit**, including email templates, sample info sessions and other resources to support with outreach to students.
- **1-2 virtual or in-person info sessions and application support workshops** (provided that partner is able to recruit at least 20 eligible girl attendees).
- **Onboarding support** to ensure that accepted students complete the process to confirm their spots in the program.

BEST PRACTICES FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

To be eligible for the benefits listed above, Community Partners are expected to:

- **Appoint a primary and secondary point of contact** to serve as the liaison between their community and Girls Who Code.
- **Promote the program** broadly to student and family networks which may include hosting information sessions, posting flyers, emailing students and parents, and posting on social media.
- **Host 1-2 info sessions for students.** These info sessions can be led by Girls Who Code.
 - Information Sessions should include a minimum of 20 eligible students, should be organized in collaboration with Girls Who Code, and should be held during the application window, mid-January - March 15, 2019.
- **Support students in completing applications**, including group and individual support.
- **Support accepted students through the registration process** to complete the process to confirm their spots in the program and confirm transportation to and from the program each day.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARTNER

If you are interested in becoming a Summer Immersion Program Community Partner, please complete the [**Summer Immersion Program Community Partnership Confirmation Form**](#).

After you complete the quick form, a Girls Who Code staff member will email you to confirm the partnership, share our Outreach Toolkit, and schedule an information session for your students.

Have questions? Email our team at summerimmersion@girlswhocode.com with the subject "Community Partnership."

Thank you for your interest in joining the movement. We look forward to partnering with you!

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