



girls who  
CODE

## Encourage your student to apply for Girls Who Code's FREE Summer Immersion Program

No experience required. Free to apply, free to attend, and stipends for qualifying students!

### Tech jobs pay an average of \$100,000/year.

*After participating in the Summer Immersion Program, my daughter's confidence skyrocketed and now she's so excited to pursue a career in computer science. As a parent, all I wanted was for her to learn, grow, and bond with like-minded girls. She was able to do that through SIP." —Teresa J., mother of Jade J., Summer Immersion Program graduate*

Our **FREE 7-week summer program** teaches 10th–11th grade girls (rising juniors or seniors) the computer science skills they need to make an impact in their community while preparing for a career in tech. In the Summer Immersion Program, girls will learn about:



#### CAREERS

They will meet inspiring female role models in the field and get an inside look at the tech world through guest speakers, workshops, fun field trips and more! Their summer will be spent in classrooms hosted at the world's top companies like Twitter, Amazon, AT&T, Warner Brothers, and Adobe.



#### SKILLS AND IMPACT

They will learn to code through hands on real-world projects in art and storytelling, robotics, video games, websites, apps, and more. By the end of the summer, they will create a final project that solves a real-world problem they care about -- combining their new coding skills with their passions to change the world!



#### SISTERHOOD

As essential members of our Girls Who Code sisterhood, they will learn in a supportive, all-female environment and make lifelong friendships that encourage them to be brave, take risks, and stand up for what matters to them!

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW FOR SUMMER 2019.

LEARN MORE AT [girlswhocode.com](http://girlswhocode.com)

Early acceptance deadline is February 15, 2019. Application closes March 15, 2019.

\* Stipends of up to \$1400 are available to cover transportation, living expenses, and more for qualified students

# Frequently Asked Questions:

## WHAT IS GIRLS WHO CODE?

Girls Who Code is a nonprofit that inspires, educates, and equips young women with the necessary computing skills to pursue 21st century careers. We believe that all girls are capable of making a positive impact on the world through computer science. We are leading the movement to close the gender gap in technology and change the image of what a programmer looks like.

## WHEN DOES THE APPLICATION OPEN AND WHEN IS IT DUE?

Students can apply online at [www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply](http://www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply). Early acceptance applications are due **February 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**, with the general application closing on **March 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**.

## WHERE WILL PROGRAMS BE HELD?

We will be hosting Summer Immersion Programs in the following cities between June–August. Exact program dates and locations can be found on the application.

- Atlanta, GA
- Austin, TX
- Bentonville, AR
- Boston, MA
- Charlotte, NC
- Chicago, IL
- Dallas, TX
- Fayetteville, AR
- Hoboken, NJ
- Houston, TX
- Irvine, CA
- Jersey City, NJ
- Los Angeles, CA
- Miami, FL
- Newark, NJ
- New York City, NY
- Philadelphia, PA
- Raritan, NJ
- San Francisco Bay Area, CA
- Seattle, WA
- Stamford, CT
- Washington DC
- Wilmington, DE

## HOW MUCH DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COST?

The Summer Immersion Program is **100% FREE to attend** with lunch provided to students each day. We also provide a need-based **Summer Stipend** for qualified students.

## WHAT IS A SUMMER STIPEND?

The summer stipend helps to cover transportation and living costs for students who qualify. It also supports students who might rely on a summer income. Household income information is required to apply. **Qualified recipients will receive a sum between \$300 and \$1400.**

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

The Summer Immersion Program is an introductory program for girls who are new to computer science. (Sorry—girls who have taken AP Computer Science are ineligible.) To apply, your student must be a rising junior or senior in high school and be able to spend all 7 weeks in the program. Girls Who Code serves all girls, especially those who:

- Are underrepresented in computer science and technology fields in terms of race, creed, or background
- Have little to no access to computer science in school
- Are Free and Reduced Lunch eligible
- Identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition

## WHAT DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS LOOK LIKE?

All eligible 10th and 11th grade students (rising juniors or seniors) can apply online. The application consists of one short-answer question. Girls Who Code does not ask for GPA, transcript, or any recommendations.

## WHEN WILL MY STUDENT BE NOTIFIED OF HER ACCEPTANCE TO THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

Early applicants will be notified by **mid-March**. All students will be

notified by **mid-April**. Notifications are sent via email.

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FIRST AND SECOND PHASE APPLICATIONS?

To qualify for early acceptance, students should apply by **February 15**. Early applicants will be notified by **mid-March**, and applicants will be notified by **mid-April**. Applicants who are waitlisted during the Early Acceptance phase will be given priority consideration for admission over second phase applicants.

## WILL GIRLS WHO CODE PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

No, we do not provide housing. This is a day program and students should only apply to locations they can reach each day. Students can use their summer stipend to support with living costs if they are eligible.

## MY STUDENT WILL BE OUT OF TOWN DURING THE PROGRAM. SHOULD MY STUDENT STILL APPLY?

All program participants must be able to commit to attending the entire seven-week program. We hope your student will choose to spend her summer with us!

## WHAT WILL STUDENTS LEARN IN THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, and websites. Students learn programming languages including Scratch, Python, Arduino C, HTML, CSS, and Javascript. Students also learn about tech careers from guest speakers, participating in workshops, connecting with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and going on field trips. The program culminates in a final project where students work in teams to build a product based on their interests.

## ARE BOYS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN GIRLS WHO CODE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMS?

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## MY STUDENT DOESN'T HAVE ANY CODING EXPERIENCE. SHOULD SHE STILL APPLY?

Yes, beginners are encouraged! All she needs is a readiness to learn.

## MY STUDENT IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM. HOW ELSE CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Girls Who Code also offers our **Campus** program: 2-week beginner and advanced summer courses in select cities: [www.girlswhocode.com/campus](http://www.girlswhocode.com/campus). You can also join or start a **Girls Who Code Club** in your area! Clubs are free after-school programs for 3–12th grade girls to learn computer science to impact their community: [www.girlswhocode.com/clubs](http://www.girlswhocode.com/clubs).