The NCWIT K-12 Alliance is dedicated to creating access to authentic, inclusive computer science education for every girl, everywhere. Made up of national girl-serving organizations, professional educator associations, academic institutions, and businesses, the K-12 Alliance leverages the reach and diversity of its members to create outreach programs and resources that recruit, retain, and advance more girls into computing nationwide. By working together, the distinguished K-12 Alliance members make a larger and more immediate impact than if they acted alone. Find out more at [www.ncwit.org/k12a](http://www.ncwit.org/k12a).

The K-12 Alliance is home to several of NCWIT’s flagship programs that serve multiple stakeholders including girls and an increasing number of boys, as well as adult influencers like counselors, formal and informal educators, and families:

- **Counselors for Computing (C4C)** equips professional school counselors with knowledge and resources they can use to advise students (especially girls) about computing education and careers.

- **The NCWIT Aspirations in Computing** program is a sweeping national talent development initiative for young women in computing, from kindergarten through graduate school.

- In partnership with the Televisa Foundation, NCWIT’s **Latinas in Technology** initiative encourages Latinas and their families to consider technology careers. This national campaign will grow the Latinas & Tecnología de la Información web resources and offer a multitude of in-person networking opportunities with K-12 Alliance members.

The K-12 Alliance also contributes to the production of key NCWIT research and resources, including:

- Talking points for adults to talk to young people about careers in computing ([www.ncwit.org/youngwomen](http://www.ncwit.org/youngwomen) and [www.ncwit.org/top10families](http://www.ncwit.org/top10families))

- Advocacy materials concerning the critical need for computer science education in K-12 schools ([www.ncwit.org/edjobsmap#resources](http://www.ncwit.org/edjobsmap#resources))

- Reports about the current state of affairs for girls in computing, the key barriers to increasing girls’ participation in these fields, and promising practices for addressing these barriers ([www.ncwit.org/thefactsgirls](http://www.ncwit.org/thefactsgirls))

“This was an amazing and inspiring event. Networking and seeing so many Latina and Latino leaders was a great experience.”

~ Latinas in Technology Roundtable Participant
RESULTS
• The K-12 Alliance has the potential to reach 100% of U.S. girls through its vast national member network.
• In 2014, 93% of K-12 Alliance members reported distributing NCWIT resources to their members.
• More than 85% of K-12 Alliance members are actively engaged in at least one committee for a K-12 Alliance project.
• Over 90% of C4C workshop participants surveyed stated that the session improved their awareness on multiple aspects of computing education and careers.
• The NCWIT Aspirations in Computing program offers 61 high school award programs across the nation implemented by regional teams made up of more than 700 organizational partners.
• NCWIT AspireIT is on target to launch 400 local computing outreach programs inviting 10,000 K-12 girls into technology by 2018.

WHY YOU SHOULD PARTICIPATE
• Access and share practices with a national network of peer K-12 organizations.
• Connect with NCWIT’s other Alliances of corporate, academic, and startup institutions, as well as affinity groups, to advertise programs, acquire volunteers, etc.
• Participate in the annual NCWIT Summit.
• Contribute to the national dialogue about the future of U.S. computing education.
• Gain visibility through NCWIT’s communication channels.

ABOUT NCWIT
The National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) is a non-profit community of more than 600 universities, companies, non-profits, and government organizations nationwide working to increase women’s participation in computing and technology. NCWIT equips change leaders with resources for taking action in recruiting, retaining, and advancing women from K-12 and higher education through industry and entrepreneurial careers. Find out more at www.ncwit.org.

“I realize now that a specific effort targeting girls must be made to get more girls into classes.”
~ C4C Participant

“I’ve learned a lot of great ideas, names, connections, and strategies from NCWIT networking.”
~ NCWIT K-12 Member