Solutions for K-12 CS, Let’s Talk!

NCWIT K-12 Alliance Member Huddle
12:00pm PST/3:00pm EST
Welcome

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Goals

- Get Connected
- Quarterly Huddles around themes to stay informed
- Learn from each other
- Highlight the work that you are doing
- Share useful tools/opportunities to all members
Expectations

• Take the lead!
• Ask questions
• Promote your work!
• Make Connections with each other
• Missed our last Huddle? Catch up [here](#)
“The idea you don’t have is the voice you haven’t heard.”
NCWIT Messaging Toolkit

- Launched in May, our new messaging emphasizes the creative potential for organizations that invest in fostering a culture where girls, women, and underrepresented groups participate with strong voices.

- The headline, “The idea you don’t have is the voice you haven’t heard,” and the tagline, “Inclusion changes what’s possible,” are confident expressions of what we know is true: Diversity and inclusion enhance outcomes in technological innovation for educational institutions and businesses of all sizes.
• Spread the word far and wide!
• NCWIT Messaging toolkit includes:
  ○ Virtual badge, email signage, awareness posters, social tiles
• Use the toolkit for networking, professional development, outreach, etc.
Highlights from New Resources

- **Guide to Inclusive CS Education**
  - Provides educators with context and concrete steps to build and expand inclusivity in CS education.

- **You Can Actively Recruit a Diverse Range of Girls...Workbook**
  - High school teachers are provided with actionable recommendations for creating recruiting and outreach interventions that work.

- **Bridging the Encouragement Gap in Computing**
  - Key highlights from published research studies, and follow-up tips on practicing encouragement.

- **Colorism Bias in the Tech Industry**
  - An overview on the lesser known issue of colorism, and discussion on skin color as a barrier in tech.

- **Intersectionality in Tech 101**
  - Background and overview of the concept of intersectionality, in addition to key readings and resources.
Getting the Word Out: Using the Resources to amplify YOUR message

1. Consider the work you’re currently doing in this space:
   a. You can employ these resources to: make this work more visible; celebrate your success; and bridge the (knowledge) gaps around diversity in computing!

2. Consider the various people in your network who would benefit from these resources:
   a. Parents, teachers, clubs/organizations, administrators, local/regional groups, policy makers

3. Consider ways to disseminate the resources to your network:
   a. Currently scheduled events, conferences, or meetings for you to “plug and play”
CS Education Week

Share-out of ideas and events of what you are doing to celebrate computer science education.
Aspirations in Computing
Get Involved!

Volunteer to review high school award applications

● **Who**
  ○ Anyone interested in encouraging young women’s participation in computing

● **When**
  ○ Now - December 6th

● **Why**
  ○ Reviewing is convenient and rewarding!

● **How**
  ○ Visit: [https://www.aspirations.org/volunteer-review-aic-award-applications](https://www.aspirations.org/volunteer-review-aic-award-applications)
Your Turn!
THANK YOU