GIRLS WHO CODE
SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM
TEACHING GIRLS TO CODE AND CHANGE THE WORLD
AGENDA

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Our Mission & History
★ What percentage of open software and computing jobs are outside of Silicon Valley?

★ What percentage of computing jobs are in non-tech companies?
91%  67%

- Retail
- Transportation
- Agriculture
- Entertainment
- Government
- Banking
- Manufacturing
★ If you were in a room of 25 engineers, on average how many would be women?
THE PROBLEM

Right now, in a room of 25 software engineers, only 3 are women.
★ In 5 years, how many jobs will be open in computing related fields?

★ What percentage will be held by women?
Five years from now...

1.4 MILLION jobs will be open in the U.S. in computing-related fields

29% of those jobs will be filled by U.S. graduates

3% will be filled by women.
OUR MISSION

Girls Who Code works to **inspire, educate, and equip girls** with the computing skills needed to pursue 21st century opportunities.

Our vision is to reach **gender parity** in computing and technology sectors.
OUR EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

We believe that ALL girls are creative and able to make a positive impact on the world through computer science.

MORE THAN CODE

Learning computational thinking and computer science cultivates girls’ interests and prepares them for long-term success in computer science.

SISTERHOOD & COLLABORATION

Positive and supportive environments both enable & sustain the learning process and longevity in computer science.

REAL-WORLD RELEVANCE & IMPACT

Interest-based learning enables and empowers students to make an impact in their communities.
WHO WE SERVE

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 or exposure to computer science education in school
➔ Are Free and Reduced Lunch eligible
➔ Identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition
Clubs Programs Overview
GIRLS WHO CODE CLUBS

Clubs are FREE after-school programs for 3-12th grade girls to join our sisterhood of supportive peers and role models and use computer science to change the world.

Clubs are led by Facilitators, who can be teachers, librarians, parents, or volunteers from any background or field. Many Facilitators have no computer science experience and learn to code alongside their Club members.

We offer two Club programs for you to choose from:

- 3rd-5th Grade Clubs
- 6th-12th Grade Clubs
CLUBS MODEL

The two main Club Programs are divided by age group:

3-5TH GRADE CLUBS

Girls Who Code 3rd-5th Grade Clubs are a community of girls who actively design, code, read and explore together.

- 10 meetings per school year
- ~45-60 minutes during lunch, enrichment blocks, or after school

6-12TH GRADE CLUBS

Our Clubs are free after-school programs for 6-12th grade girls to use computer science to impact their community and join our sisterhood of supportive peers and role models.

Club girls work in teams to design and build a Girls Who Code Project that solves real world problems they care about through code.

- Minimum of 10 meetings to the full academic year
- ~1-2 hours per week after school
HOW WE SUPPORT CLUBS

Girls Who Code provides **FREE materials and curriculum** to the Club Facilitator in order to support you with:

➔ **CS Skills**  
Custom online training, [online curriculum platform HQ](#), curriculum materials, and extended computer science resources

➔ **Community**  
Clubs Success Specialist, online community with thousands of other Girls Who Code Facilitators, and in-person and virtual events

➔ **Logistics Support**  
Recruitment Toolkits, Clubs Fund, and earlier access to resources
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, or 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 about our outcomes in our 2017 Annual Report.
WHAT YOU NEED TO GET STARTED

It is easy as 1-2-3 to get started! Before you apply to start a 3-5th Grade or 6-12th Grade Club in your community, you’ll need need:

1. **Space** in a non-profit location to host your club at least once a week
2. **Computers and internet connection** (6-12th Grade Clubs only) OR **Copies of our non-fiction books** (3-5th Grade Clubs only)
3. **A Facilitator** who is over 18+ and will be responsible for administration and leading the Club curriculum. NO technical experience is needed!
LAUNCH A CLUB

If you are 18+, you can join the movement as a Club Facilitator! Clubs can be hosted at schools, libraries, community centers, college campuses, and other non-profits.

 Already have a host site? Apply today to start an individual Club at:  
https://girlswhocode.com/start-a-club/

 Need a host site? Complete our Facilitator Application at www.girlswhocode.com/volunteer. Our Find a Club Site Toolkit can also help you connect with organizations near you!
CLUBS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Our organization relies on collaboration with Community Partners to drive our work and reach even more girls in your community. We seek to create partnerships with state and local leaders, school districts, community organizations, library networks and colleges/universities to launch multiple Girls Who Code Clubs.

Some of our Community Partners include, but are not limited to, the following:
PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS

➔ A designated Community Partner Manager to provide regular communication, Club updates, and outreach support

➔ A designated Clubs Success Specialist for all affiliated Clubs

➔ Access to the Community Partner Fund: grants to support Clubs across a partnership

➔ Priority access to engagement opportunities like field trips

➔ Priority consideration for our Summer Immersion Program, depending on availability and location
Program Deep Dive: VSTE 2018
What happens during a Girls Who Code Club session? Here’s a quick snapshot!

### 6th-12th Grade Clubs

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Building Sisterhood
THE SHAKEDOWN (3-5)

**Type:** Active Energizer  
**Description:** This activity is an opportunity to shake out jitters and help focus energy.  
**Instructions:** Have girls stand in a circle. Then, tell them to follow your lead.

1. Hold out your right hand. Quickly shake it and count down from 6 on each shake. Repeat this with your left hand.
2. Hold out your right leg. Quickly shake it and count down from 6 on each shake. Repeat this with your left leg.
3. Continue to shake and count, decreasing by one count each round until you get down to one.

For a demonstration, check it out [here](#)!

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BLIND DRAWING (6-12)

**Type:** Communication Builder  
**Description:** This activity is an opportunity for girls to collaborate and build communication skills  
**Instructions:** Have girls pair up and designate one as the drawer and one as the communicator.

1. Find a partner, and sit back to back.
2. One person will be given a picture and will give instructions to their partner to help their partner draw the picture.
   a. Don't give away what your picture is! For example, if your picture is a puppy chasing a ball, don't say "draw a puppy chasing a ball".
3. The other person will have up to five minutes to try to draw the image using only the directions.
4. Compare the drawing with the original picture.
5. Switch roles and repeat!
Women in Tech Spotlight
Role models come in all shapes and sizes. In fact, Dr. Ayanna Howard’s first role model wasn’t even human! **Bionic Woman**, a robotic superheroine, inspired Dr. Howard’s passion for building robots and engineering at an early age.

➔ **Professor of bioengineering**

➔ **Co-founder and Chief Technology Officer** of the educational robotics company Zyrobotics

➔ **Developed robots** that are learning to inhabit Mars with NASA
AYANNA HOWARD
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**BRAVERY:** Dr. Howard showed bravery when she spoke up in an uncomfortable situation at work. What would you say to yourself in that moment?

**RESILIENCE:** Imagine you are working with Dr. Howard on one of her robots. What might go wrong? How might you stay positive and work through the problem?

**CREATIVITY:** Which industries use robots today? What are some problems that robots can be used to solve?

**PURPOSE:** What inspires Dr. Howard to make innovations in robotics? Who or what inspires you?
Coding Concepts
UNPLUGGED (3-5): 
THE PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY EFFECT

Key Vocabulary: Computational thinking: A way of thinking that helps us work logically through big problems by breaking them down into smaller pieces, looking for patterns, and then using the information to come up with a step-by-step solution.

Materials: Paper or index cards, pencils, and any materials you need to act out your task.

Prompt: As a Club, agree on an everyday task, like making a sandwich. Try to write instructions that a computer can follow. Then, swap your instructions with a partner, who will pretend to be a robot! See if they’re able to follow your instructions.
Scratch (6-12): 
THE SHAPE CHALLENGE

**Draw a square:**
1. Go to [www.scratch.mit.edu](http://www.scratch.mit.edu), click create
2. Explore the different block menus and try to get your sprite (the cat) to draw a square
3. If you find a solution, challenge yourself to find a different way to draw a square.

**Other challenges:**
Make the square bigger, make the square a different color, fill in the color of the square, tessellate the square across the page, make a different shape

**Discussion:** Take a look at this [Sample Project](http://www.scratch.mit.edu)
1. What did the sample project do?
2. How could you customize this project or make it special in some way?
3. What do you need to learn in order to build this project yourself?
Girls Who Code Projects (6-12)
6-12TH GRADE GIRLS WHO CODE PROJECTS

**WATER WELL**

"Track and reduce your water usage"

**PILLAR**

"100% anonymous community to share problems and get support and advice"

For more Girls Who Code Projects, check out our online **Project Gallery**!
GIRLS WHO CODE PROJECT WEBSITES

Your GWC Project is a website where girls can showcase what they've been working on. As girls complete different tutorials, they can add the projects they've built to their Club's GWC Project site.

Each Club's GWC Project site will be built and hosted using Weebly, a drag-and-drop website builder.

Here is an example of what their website could look like!
THE TRUTH BEHIND US: A GWC PROJECT
Stand Ups (6-12)
SISTERHOOD STAND UPS TIME!

A Stand Up is a practice that real software developers use to keep the other members of their team up to date on what they are working on, what help they might need, and any accomplishments they've made.

➔ What did you accomplish this meeting?
➔ Give an example of how you were brave, resilient, creative, or purposeful.
➔ Do you need help with anything next meeting?
➔ Shout out a Clubmate for something they accomplished.
Reflection:
What does my community STEM landscape look like?
What resources can I leverage?

Reframe the problem:
What do I hope to accomplish?
What are my goals for a Girls Who Code Club?

Design the solution:
What can my Girls Who Code Club look like in my community complement my work?

Action Steps:
What 3 steps can I take once I get back to my community?

Barriers:
What are some barriers and how can I address them?
Questions?
THANK YOU!

Want to connect?
Email me at amy.layman@girlswhocode.com or apply today at www.girlswhocode.com/clubs!
AN INSIDE LOOK AT A GWC CLUB