



State of North Carolina

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GOVERNOR

COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, computer science education provides students with the essential learning in computational thinking they need to develop and apply critical thinking skills, imagination and creativity, interpersonal skills, leadership, management, and problem-solving skills; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's K-12 schools and institutions of higher education are launching significant efforts to expand computer science education opportunities for all students; and

WHEREAS, computer science education contributes to increased attendance and graduation rates, and prepares students for college, careers, and citizen readiness; and

WHEREAS, computer science education supports student understanding of the modern business world of communications, global competition, information management, operations, supply and demand, talent acquisition and development, and technological innovations; and

WHEREAS, computer science is integrated into all parts of the economy and contributes to the vibrancy and vitality of communities across North Carolina and our nation; and

WHEREAS, computer programmers are needed in every industry; and

WHEREAS, students who study computer science in high school are six times more likely to major in computer science in college; female students who study computer science in high school are 10 times more likely to major in computer science in college and underrepresented minorities are 7 times more likely; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that North Carolina has a workforce prepared for the jobs of today and tomorrow, our state must provide more opportunities for our students to engage in computer science and learn coding skills, especially in our K-12 schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 9 – 15, 2019, as “**COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.





Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this second day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.