Newton Free Library Seeks Facilator/Instructors for 'Girls Who Code' Clubs

Prepare our students for the future of work! Volunteer with a Girls Who Code Club in your community!

Computing skills are the most sought-after in the US job market, with demand growing 3X the national average. Computing is where the jobs are — and where they will be in the future — but girls across the US are being left behind. Today, less than a quarter of computing jobs are held by women, and that number is declining.

You can help reverse the decline. Girls Who Code Clubs inspire, educate, and equip our girls for tomorrow's computing jobs. Help us bring FREE Girls Who Code Clubs to our community by volunteering as a Clubs Facilitator.

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

Apply now to be a Facilitator!

To Facilitate a Club, you must:

- Be 18+
- Pass a background check
- Commit 3-4 volunteer hours per week, including travel and prep time.
- Be comfortable learning alongside Club girls as they explore the foundational computer science concepts of variables, loops, conditionals, and functions. Our curriculum is designed so that anyone can facilitate a Club; no computer science experience is needed! In fact, many Facilitators have NO technical background. Have a passion for Girls Who Code's mission to close the gender gap in technology and the ability to foster community within your Girls Who Code Club.

All materials from Girls Who Code are provided for FREE to the Club Facilitator, including:

- 120+ hours of curriculum, activity sets, and an online learning management system
- Recruitment materials, including student and volunteer flyers
- Program management support, including field trip and grant opportunities
- Facilitator training, resources, and real-time support

The Newton 'Girls Who Code' club is now in our 5th year and going strong. Hosted at the Newton Free Library, we operate two club sections of 20-25 girls each, grades 6-12. The meeting days vary from year to year depending on Facilitator availability. If you can commit to volunteering on a regular basis, we can create a section that meets at a 2-hour afternoon, evening or weekend time that fits your schedule. The club year starts in October 2018 and runs through May 2019.

We welcome both men and women instructors. Having past experience working with youth (as a coach, teaching assistant, camp counselors, tutor, etc.) is a plus but not required. Each section typically has 2 facilitators, so you don't have to carry the job of running a section all by yourself.

Visit our website www.newtongwc.org to get a sense of who we are and what we do. If you're interested in applying or learning more, email info@newtongwc.org