

# Proclamation

*Whereas* Computer Science Education Week highlights the crucial role that computer science plays in transforming our society through enabling innovation, technological advances, and economic growth; and

*Whereas* the field of computer science supports the information technology sector and many science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers, making it a foundational science for the digital age and a significant contributor to the United States' economic output; and

*Whereas* providing students the chance to participate in high-quality computer science activities, including coding, exposes them to the rich opportunities the field offers and builds critical thinking skills that will serve them throughout their lives; and

*Whereas* all students deserve equitable access to learning opportunities and a thorough preparation in STEM, including access to qualified educators, technology, and age-appropriate curriculum needed to learn computer science at the elementary and secondary levels of education;

*Therefore*, I, Carolyn Stanford Taylor, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare December 9-15, 2019, Computer Science Education Week, to inform students, educators, administrators, families, tribal nations, education partners, and the general public about the value of digital literacy training, careers in STEM fields, and information technology skills for our future-ready students.

Computer Science Education Week  
December 9-15, 2019



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Carolyn Stanford Taylor, State Superintendent