

AP Computer Science Proposal



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Purpose

The purpose of this presentation is to propose the adoption of two AP Computer Science courses, and supporting resources.

- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Computer Science A

Rationale

- Computer Science is an area of study which has made significant changes in the past 10-20 years.
- ► C++ is no longer the programming language used by the College Board, but is still the language of instruction for our Computer Science 3-4 course.
- Students need to learn and be engaged with the latest technology to prepare them for the future.

Aligned to the District Strategic Plan

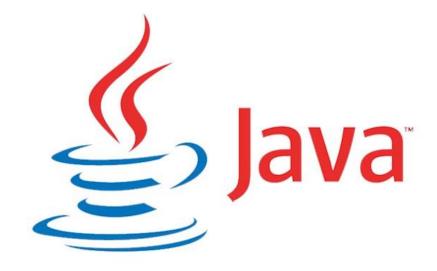
Student Achievement – Priority #1

We will implement and support a challenging, standards based curriculum across all content areas.

- AP Computer Science courses can broaden participation in computing to help address traditional issues of equity and access.
- Provide a strong and engaging introduction to the fundamental areas of computer science.
- Provide opportunities for Post-secondary and Career exploration.

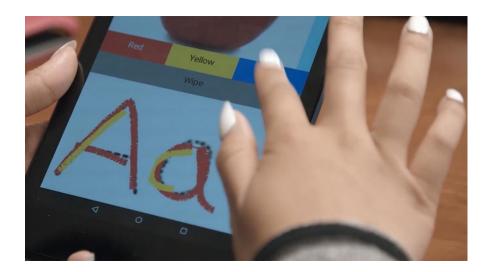
Course Overview

- ▶ AP Computer Science A
 - Focus on computing skills related to programming in Java.



Course Overview

- AP Computer Science Principles
 - Focus on creativity.
 - Importance of communicating solutions appropriately and in ways that are relevant to current societal needs.



Proposed Resources

- AP Computer Science A
 - Introduction to Java Programming AP Version, Liang
 - Test Prep Series for AP Computer Science A
 - My Programming Lab

Proposed Resources

- AP Computer Science Principles
 - Invitation to Computer Science, Schneider/Gersting
 - Fast Track to a 5: Preparing for AP® Computer
 Science Principles Examination
 - MindTap

Proposed Resources

- HP ProBook Notebook Computers
 - 1 per student
 - Ensure that all students will have the opportunity to complete activities and practice concepts outside of the classroom

Recommendation for Implementation

Adoption of the proposed AP Computer Science courses and resources for the 2018–2019 school year.

Professional Development

March 2018

All new AP Computer Science teachers will attend a College Board endorsed workshop.

Summer 2018

 All new AP Computer Science teachers will attend a weeklong College Board Institute.

August 2018

Professional development on the instructional resources.

On-going Professional Development

 District Collaborative Days, Professional Practice Days and after school, as needed.

Cost Analysis

- 6 years of digital textbook access and a laptop for each student.
- Anticipating each high school will run 2 sections of each course.

Description	Qty	Cost per Unit	Extended Cost
Invitation to Computer Science, Digital			
Textbook + MindTap™	390	\$127.25	\$49,627.50
(AP Computer Science Principles)			
Introduction to Java Programming AP Version,			
Digital Textbook + My Programming Lab	390	\$124.97	\$48,738.30
(AP Computer Science A)			
HP ProBook x360 11 G1 EE 11.6" Touchscreen			
LCD 2 in 1 Notebook	780	\$541.44	\$422,323.20
(390 for each class being offered)			
HP® Smart Buy Essential Top Load 15.6"			
Notebook Case, Black	780	\$23.29	\$18,166.20
(390 for each class being offered)			
HP Care Pack - 3 Year Extended Warranty	780	\$59.00	\$46,020.00
(390 for each class being offered)			
		Cost per student	Total
		\$750.98	\$584,875.20

Cost Analysis

Yearly cost for a consumable text

Description	Qty	Cost per Unit	Extended Cost
Fast Track to a 5: Preparing for AP® Computer	390	\$19.50	\$7,605.00
Science Principles Examination			
Test Prep Series for AP Computer Science A	390	\$19.97	\$7,788.30
		Cost per student	Total
		\$19.97	\$15,393.30

Evaluation of Change

- Data will be reviewed yearly from indicators such as:
 - Enrollment rate
 - Percent of students taking AP exams
 - AP exam passing rates
 - Retention rates within the courses

