



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

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

WHEREAS, the theme for this year's Computer Science Education Week is #CSEverywhere to highlight the impact that computer science is making everywhere and the relationship that computer science has to different subjects, industries, career pathways and our everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, computer science is transforming industry in Alabama, creating new fields of commerce, driving innovation in all fields of science and bolstering productivity in established economic sectors; and

WHEREAS, the field of computer science underpins the information technology sector of our economy, which is a significant contributor to Alabama's economic output; and

WHEREAS, the outlook for computer science jobs is bright with over 4,063 open computing positions across the state of Alabama with the current average salary for a computing occupation paying \$100,000, which is significantly higher than the average salary in the state; and

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

WHEREAS, the field of computer science has significant equity barriers to address, including attracting more participation by females and underrepresented minorities of all levels; and

WHEREAS, all students in Alabama deserve a thorough preparation in computer science education, including access to the qualified teachers, technology and age-appropriate curriculum needed to learn computer science at the elementary and secondary levels of education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim December 6 through 12, 2021, as

Computer Science Education Week

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the
Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City
of Montgomery on the 6th day of December 2021.

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Kay Ivey, Governor