

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
CTE Directors
Instructional Leaders
Principals

FROM: Kayce Cook, EdD
Director, Office of Career Readiness

DATE: May 13, 2025

RE: CSPDWeek 2025: Register Now for Free K–12 Computer Science Training at The Citadel

The South Carolina Department of Education’s Office of Career Readiness, in collaboration with the STEM Center at The Citadel, the national Computer Science Teachers Association (CSTA), and SC CSTA, is proud to host **CSPDWeek 2025**, a free week-long professional development event for K–12 educators and school counselors.

Held **June 16–20, 2025**, at The Citadel in Charleston, this event offers hands-on, classroom-ready computer science training designed to expand access to high-quality CS instruction in every South Carolina school.

Teachers may select from a range of training options based on their classroom needs. Those who are appropriately grade-level certified (GLC) and successfully complete CSPDWeek training will be eligible to teach the computer science graduation-required course associated with their training, such as:

- Discovering Computer Science
- Fundamentals of Computing
- Fundamentals of Web Page Design and Development
- AP Computer Science Principles (AP CSP)
- AP Computer Science A (AP CSA)

CSPDWeek 2025 also offers additional professional learning opportunities at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. Workshop topics include:

- AP Computer Science A (Grades 10–12)
- CS in Elementary Classrooms (Grades K–5)
- Integrating AI (Grades 3–5)
- Introduction to Programming & Physical Computing (Grades 6–8)
- Code.org CS Discoveries (Grades 6–12) – aligned with Discovering Computer Science and Fundamentals of Computing
- AP CS Principles (Grades 9–12) with Minecraft
- Introduction to Web Page Design & Development (Grades 9–12)
- Introduction to Python (Grades 9–12)
- Cybersecurity Fundamentals (Grades 9–12)
- Epic Games Unreal Engine Bootcamp (Grades 9–12)

Register at: [CSPDWeek 2025](#)

Note: Space is limited. Please encourage interested teachers and counselors to register early.

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