

MEMORANDUM

TO: Principals
Guidance Counselors
District AP Coordinators
District Instructional Leaders

FROM: Kristi D. Austin, PhD
Director, Office of Assessment and Standards

DATE: March 3, 2026

RE: Webinar on AP Computer Science Principles

The Office of Assessment and Standards is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar on AP Computer Science Principles. This course introduces students to the impact of computer and technology on everyday life—from the apps we use to the ways personal data is collected—and examines the benefits and challenges of emerging technologies. Students also engage in collaborative, real-world problem-solving using computational tools and processes.

During the webinar, participants will receive:

- an overview of the AP Computer Science Principles course, including its purpose, structure, and alignment with statewide instructional priorities;
- a review of teacher and program requirements necessary for successful course implementation;
- an explanation of the AP exam format, scoring, and expectations for student performance; and
- guidance on the steps required for schools wishing to offer the course, including College Board processes and state-level considerations.

The webinar will be held on **Tuesday, March 31, 2026**, from 2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. Please complete [registration](#) by **Monday, March 30, 2026**.

For questions, please contact Jennifer Holliday (Advanced Programs) at jnholliday@ed.sc.gov or Benjamin Dusek (Computer Science) at bwdusek@ed.sc.gov.
