Curriculum Services

Computer Science Class

Beginning with the 2023-24 school year, the District will provide at least one computer science course as an in-person course or as a virtual or distance course option. The computer science courses offered by the District are:

1. Defined as a high-quality course by DESE.
2. Meets or exceeds the computer performance standards developed and adopted by DESE.
3. Offered in each school's course catalog.

A successfully completed computer science class will be counted toward state graduation requirements as the equivalent to one science class or one practical arts credit for purposes of satisfying any admission requirements of any public higher education institution in this state.

Reporting

Annually by June 30, the District will submit a report to DESE focused on the District's computer science program for the current school year.

The District's annual report will contain the names and course codes for computer science classes with a course description and performance standards for computer science classes offered. In addition, the computer science class report will provide the number and demographic percentage of students in each computer class.

The demographic data provided for each such course will include the member of each group as follows:

1. Sex
2. Race and ethnicity
3. Identified special education students
4. English Language Learner students
5. Eligibility for free or reduced meals
6. Grade level

If a category contains 1 to 5 students, the number shall be replaced by a symbol. The number of computer science instructors at each school by:

1. Certification
2. Sex
3. Race and ethnicity
4. Highest academic degree

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