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#### Pond Road Middle School STEM

# **Introduction to Coding**

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## **Course Philosophy**

The internet, programming, data & analysis, and computing systems are increasingly relevant topics in our demanding technological society. 'Introduction to Coding' is a comprehensive quarter class focused on important ideas that are central to computing and have lasting value beyond the classroom.

## **Course Description**

This course will provide students with opportunities to explore computer sciences, web development, and creating programmatic images and animations.

Students will also develop their critical thinking skills, learn about the importance of data to solve problems, and how computers can be used to help this process.

With the help of computer based technologies, students will learn to engage with computer science as a medium for creativity, communication and solving real world problems.

### Core and Supplemental Instructional Materials

| Core Materials | Supplemental Materials  |
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| • Code.org     | Teacher materials are provided within the website for each unit and lesson. |

## Robbinsville Public Schools Scope, Sequence, Pacing and Activities

## Intro to Coding 6th-8th Grades

| Unit Title                            | Unit Understandings and<br>Goals   | Standards<br>Included  | Recommended Duration/ Pacing | Activities www.code.org   |
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| Unit 1: Problem Solving and Computing | Advancements in computing technology can change individuals' behaviors. Society is faced with trade-offs due to the increasing globalization and automation that computing brings.  Protocols, packets, and addressing are the key components for reliable delivery of information across networks.  The study of human—computer interaction can improve the design of devices and extend the abilities of humans.  Software and hardware determine a computing system's capability to store and process information. The design or selection of a computing system involves multiple considerations and potential trade-offs.  Troubleshooting a problem is more effective when knowledge of the specific device along with a systematic process is | 8.1.8.IC.1<br>8.1.8.IC.2<br>8.1.8.NI.2<br>8.1.8.CS.1<br>8.1.8.CS.2<br>8.1.8.CS.3<br>8.1.8.CS.4 | Two Weeks                    | Chapter 1 Lesson 2: The problem-solving process - brainstorm different types of problems they encounter in everyday life Chapter 2 Lesson 4: What is a computer? picture sort in groups. Define & redefine 'computer' Chapter 2 Lesson 5: Input & Output - solve thinking problem Determine how Apps input and output information Chapter 2 Lesson 6: Processing - conditionals, searching, counting and comparing. Identify which apps use different types of processing Chapter 2 Lesson 7: Storage - identify important information that should be stored. End lesson with reflection about how storage could be used. Chapter 2 Lesson 8: Propose an App (Group Work) |
| Unit 2: Web Development               | used to identify the source of a problem.  People use digital devices and tools to automate the collection, use, and transformation of data. The manner in which data is collected and transformed is influenced by the type of digital device(s) available and the intended use of the data.  | 8.1.8.DA.1<br>8.1.8.DA.2<br>8.1.8.DA.3<br>8.1.8.DA.4<br>8.1.8.DA.5<br>8.1.8.DA.6               | Four Weeks                   | Chapter 1 Lesson 2: Intro to HTML - WebLab experiment, introduction to HTML tags Chapter 1 Lesson 3: Headings - work in pairs to structure text on web pages, work together on debugging problems   |

|   | Data is represented in many formats. Software tools translate the low-level representation of bits into a form understandable by individuals. Data is organized and accessible based on the application used to store it.  The purpose of cleaning data is to remove errors and make it easier for computers to process.  Computer models can be used to simulate events, examine theories and inferences, or make predictions. |  |           | Chapter 1 Lesson 5: Digital Footprint - discuss the sharing of personal information Chapter 1 Lesson 6: Styling Text with CSS - learn syntax for CSS rule-sets Chapter 1 Lesson 8: Intellectual Property - discuss copyright Chapter 1 Lesson 9: Using Images - consider ethical implications Chapter 1 Lesson 13: Project - Personal Web Page - Prepare and plan webpage Chapter 2 Lesson 14: Websites for a Purpose - investigate websites that serve different purposes Chapter 2 Lesson 15: Team Problem Solving - Brainstorm features of a site they would like to create. Make a plan. Chapter 2 Lesson 16: Sources & Research - Finding trustworthy information Chapter 2 Lesson 17: |
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|   |   |  |           | Chapter 2 Lesson 17:  CSS Classes - create classes to better control appearance of websites  Chapter 2 Lesson 18: Planning a Multi-Page Site - work in teams to sketch each page Chapter 2 Lesson 19: Linking Pages - Use WebLab to make links for navigation  Chapter 2 Lesson 20: Project  Website for a Purpose - teams code pages & peer review when complete   |
| Unit 3: Interactive<br>Animations and Games | Individuals design algorithms that are reusable in many situations. Algorithms that are readable are easier to follow, test, and debug.  Programmers create variables to store data values of different types and perform appropriate operations on their values.  Control structures are selected and  | 8.1.8.AP.2<br>8.1.8.AP.3<br>8.1.8.AP.4<br>8.1.8.AP.5<br>8.1.8.AP.6<br>8.1.8.AP.7<br>8.1.8.AP.8<br>8.1.8.AP.9 | Two Weeks | Chapter 1 Lesson 1: Programming for Entertainment - Introduction Chapter 1 Lesson 2: Plotting Shapes - communicate position using a grid Chapter 1 Lesson 3: Drawing in Game Lab - sequencing and debugging Chapter 1 Lesson 4: Shapes and Parameters - draw with ellipse(), rect(), background() Chapter 1 Lesson 5:   |
|   | combined in programs to solve more complex problems.  |  |           | Variables - learn purpose and use of variables Chapter 1 Lesson 6: Random Numbers - create behaviors in programs  |

|                        | Programs use procedures to organize code and hide implementation details.  Procedures can be repurposed in new programs. Defining parameters for procedures can generalize behavior and increase reusability.  Individuals design and test solutions to identify problems taking into consideration the diverse needs of the users and the community.  |  |           | Chapter 1 Lesson 7: Sprites - assign images and increase complexity Chapter 1 Lesson 8: Sprite Properties - change appearance of sprites Chapter 1 Lesson 9: Text - introduce text commands in Game Lab Chapter 1 Lesson 10: Project - Captioned Scenes - share creations   |
|------------------------|--|--|-----------|---|
| Unit 4: Data & Society | Individuals design algorithms that are reusable in many situations. Algorithms that are readable are easier to follow, test, and debug.  Programmers create variables to store data values of different types and perform appropriate operations on their values.  Control structures are selected and combined in programs to solve more complex problems.  Programs use procedures to organize code and hide implementation details.  Procedures can be repurposed in new programs. Defining parameters for procedures can generalize behavior and increase reusability.  Individuals design and test solutions to identify problems taking into consideration the diverse needs of the users and the community.  People use digital devices and tools to automate the collection, use, and transformation of data. The manner in which data is collected and transformed is influenced by the type of digital device(s) available and the intended use of the data. | 8.1.8.AP.2<br>8.1.8.AP.3<br>8.1.8.AP.4<br>8.1.8.AP.5<br>8.1.8.AP.6<br>8.1.8.AP.7<br>8.1.8.AP.8<br>8.1.8.AP.9<br>8.1.8.DA.1<br>8.1.8.DA.2<br>8.1.8.DA.3<br>8.1.8.DA.4<br>8.1.8.DA.5<br>8.1.8.DA.6<br>8.1.8.NI.3<br>8.1.8.NI.3<br>8.1.8.NI.4 | Two Weeks | Lesson 1: Representation Matters Lesson 2: Patterns and Representation Lesson 3: ASCII and Binary Representation Lesson 4: Representing Images - binary patterns Lesson 5: Representing Numbers - binary numbers Lesson 6: Combining Representations - Decode information in a record with ASCII, binary number and images Lesson 7: Keeping Data Secret - binary encryption Lesson 8: Create a Representation - design a structure with binary systems |

| 5th Grade<br>Unit Title | Unit Understandings and<br>Goals              | Standards<br>Included    | Recommended Duration/ Pacing | Activities www.code.org                                |
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| CS Fundamentals         | Individuals design algorithms that are        | 8.1.8.AP.2               | 9 Weeks                      | Lesson 1:  |
| Express Course 2022     | reusable in many situations. Algorithms       | 8.1.8.AP.3               | A 111                        | Programming with Angry Birds - sequential algorithms   |
|                         | that are readable are easier to follow, test, | 8.1.8.AP.4               | Add lessons                  | Lesson 2:  |
|                         | and debug.                                    | 8.1.8.AP.5<br>8.1.8.AP.6 | as needed:<br>Scratch        | Debugging in Maze - identify errors                    |
|                         | Programmers create variables to store         | 8.1.8.AP.7               | Programing                   | Lesson 3:  |
|                         | data values of different types and            | 8.1.8.AP.8               | or                           | Collecting Treasure with Laurel- sequential algorithms |
|                         | perform appropriate operations on their       | 8.1.8.AP.9               | CSFirst with                 | Lesson 4:  |
|                         | values.                                       |                          | Google                       | Creating Art with Code - skill-building                |
|                         |   | 8.1.8.DA.1               |                              | <u> </u>   |
|                         | Control structures are selected and           | 8.1.8.DA.2               |                              | Lesson 5:  |
|                         | combined in programs to solve more            | 8.1.8.DA.3               |                              | Swimming Fish - animated scene                         |
|                         | complex problems.                             | 8.1.8.DA.4               |                              |  |

| Programs use procedures to organize code and hide implementation details.  | 8.1.8.DA.5<br>8.1.8.DA.6 | Lesson 6: Making Sprites - sprites and behaviors  Lesson 7:               |
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| Procedures can be repurposed in new programs. Defining parameters for procedures can generalize behavior and   | 8.1.8.NI.3<br>8.1.8.NI.4 | Sprites in Action - timed events  Lesson 8:                               |
| increase reusability.  |                          | Virtual Pet - use events behaviors and other concepts  Lesson 9:          |
| Individuals design and test solutions to identify problems taking into consideration the diverse needs of the  |                          | Dance Party - program interactive dance party  Lesson 10:                 |
| users and the community.  People use digital devices and tools to automate the collection, use, and  |                          | Lesson 11: Sticker Art - mini project                                     |
| transformation of data. The manner in which data is collected and transformed is influenced by the type of digital   |                          | Lesson 12:<br>Nested Loops - program loops inside another loop            |
| device(s) available and the intended use of the data.  |                          | Lesson 13:<br>Mini Project - use angles to create snowflake designs       |
| Data is represented in many formats. Software tools translate the low-level  |                          | Lesson 14: Skill Building - conditionals                                  |
| representation of bits into a form understandable by individuals. Data is organized and accessible based on the application used to store it.  The purpose of cleaning data is to remove errors and make it easier for computers to process.  Computer models can be used to simulate events, examine theories and |                          | Lesson 15: If/Else - write code that functions differently Lesson 16:     |
|  |                          | Lesson 10: Loops in Farmer - solve puzzles Lesson 17:                     |
|  |                          | Conditionals - practice content  Lesson 18:                               |
|  |                          | Loops - build program that has main character repeat actions  Lesson 19:  |
| inferences, or make predictions.   |                          | Conditionals - if/else statements with flexible code  Lesson 20:          |
|  |                          | Functions - skill building  Lesson 21:                                    |
|  |                          | Functions - conditionals with functions  Lesson 22: Functions with Artist |

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|  |  |  | Lesson 24:<br>Counting with Variables - track values     |
|  |  |  | Lesson 25:<br>Variables with Artist - repetitive designs |