



Antioch CCSD 34 Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Proposal Form

Name of Proposal	The Coding Crew - 2026-27
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Have an innovative idea? Want to see something purchased to enhance the learner experience? Want something changed in the district or building? Have a new proposed activity for sponsorship? Complete all fields below and turn in to your building administrators for the approval process. Also, please read: [Antioch CCSD 34 | Annual Notice: List of Equity Considerations](#)

Basic Information		
First & Last Name	Building	Grade Level/Class/Team
Kathy Strathman	AUGS	6-8
Date Submitted to Administration	Date(s) Returned for Changes	Date Approved or Declined
5/15/26		

Proposal Information	
Question	Response & Information
What is being proposed?	The Coding Crew is a proposed after-school initiative designed to introduce female students to the world of computer science in a supportive, social, and creative environment. By utilizing the Raspberry Pi Foundation's globally recognized curriculum, students will transition from passive consumers of technology to active creators.
Why is this being proposed?	To meet the needs of getting over the stigma associated with girls in technology related fields.
Which State/Federal/Organization standard(s) does this proposal support?	Illinois Computer Science Standards, ISTE, Social-emotional, College and Career Readiness
How does this relate to District Curriculum Scope and Sequence? (if applicable) Please link direct	This is relatively unique at AUGS. The 8th graders do an introductory course in EdTech using block-based programming. This goes further and gets them into Text-based coding. I am anticipating this also being an opportunity to work on



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access to the document.	social-emotional goals.
How, what part of the day, will this be implemented with the students?	After school - 2:45-3:45 (1 hour each week)
What is the cost? Is it a one time cost or recurring? What is the long term plan for the cost?	No cost for the program. Sponsorship rate for the allotted hours that will be paid from the AUGS Stipend Sponsorship budget.
What is the funding source (if applicable)?	Student activity accounts will be used for basic supplies. Stipend sponsorship fund to cover the cost of the supervisor.
Who will be responsible for planning, management and/or support?	Kathy Strathman
Is the proposal sustainable? Explain how it will be sustained.	Yes. The proposal will be sustained by providing a safe, fun, and welcoming environment that encourages students to continue participating and attracts new members over time.
What does the baseline data indicate and how will effectiveness be measured?	I think effectiveness will be measured by attendance numbers. But that also can be inconsistent as girls join other activities and take a break.
Have you reached out to other districts/users? What input was received?	Yes. I spoke with Mike Butler, who currently runs a Girls Who Code program at Oakland. He shared positive feedback about student engagement and how the program supports college and career readiness, which also aligns well with several courses already offered at AUGS.
Have you checked with district departments: HR, Tech, T&L, Business (as applicable)?	I have been able to use Raspberry Pi successfully in my lab for both students and teachers.
What is the desired timeline?	Meeting once per week (time off during the boys' basketball season) and get back at it after the New Year.
Additional thoughts /comments/information	

Reviewer Section - To be completed by Administration

Questions/Comments

Administration is in favor of supporting this club and will send to the board for approval.



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Attendance was noted and should be monitored to determine the effectiveness and/or time for the club.	
Final Decision & Date	

Last Updated 8/29/24