

K-12 Computer Science Standards Update

VLAC Meeting October 20, 2016

Legislation HB 831

 The Standards of Learning shall include, but not be limited to, the basic skills of communication (listening, speaking, reading, and writing); computation and critical reasoning, including problem solving and decision making; proficiency in the use of computers and related technology; computer science and computational thinking, including computer coding; and the skills to manage personal finances and to make sound financial decisions.

Appropriation

Supplemental Education Assistance Programs:

 Computer Science Training For Teachers

FY17 \$550,000 FY18 \$550,000

Work to Date

Investigation of CS Standards:

- Arkansas
- United Kingdom
- Massachusetts

Work to Date

Collaboration with Organizations:

- Computer Science Teachers Association (CSTA)
- K12CS
- Code.org
- CodeVa
- Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)
- Oracle



Work to Date

Documents Reviewed:

- Computer Science Teachers
 Associations (CSTA) 2011 K12 CS standards
- CSTA Interim Standards
- K12CS Computer Science Framework

K12CS Framework

Development Steered by:

- Code.org
- CSTA
- Cyber Innovation Center
- National Math and Science Initiative
- Association for Computing Machinery
- 100+ advisors from the computing community

K12CS Framework

Endorsers:

The K–12 Computer Science Framework is endorsed by many stakeholders in the education, research, and business communities.

https://k12cs.org/statements-ofsupport/

Fall 2016

- Develop a Decision Brief and Schedule
- Present the schedule to the Board of Education
- Provide a platform for public comments

Winter 2017

- Identify members of a Teacher Review Committee
- Aggregate and analyze public comments
- Begin work with the Teacher Review Committee to draft Computer Science standards

Spring 2017

- Complete a draft of the standards with the Steering Committee
- Meet with CS stakeholders and professional organizations
- Fine tune draft with the Steering Committee to prepare for a first review with the Board of Education

Summer 2017

- Present the draft standards to the Board of Education for first review
- Present the draft standards for public comment
- Hold public hearings related to the draft standards

Fall 2017

- Make final revisions to the draft standards with the Steering Committee
- The Superintendent of Instruction will present the standards for final review and adoption to the Board of Education