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## Girls Who Code (GWC) Club Proposal

Tiverton High School is excited to announce its request for a new Girls Who Code Club proposal beginning in the 2020 school year.

Technology jobs are among the fastest growing in the country, yet girls are being left behind.\* While girls' interest in computer science ebbs over time, the biggest drop off happens between the ages of 13-17. Enter Girls Who Code Clubs: a FREE after-school program for girls in 3rd-5th and 6th-12th grade. The club is fun, accessible — and they work! Alumni from Girls Who Code Clubs go on to major in Computer Science at 15 times the national average rate.

Girls Who Code is on a mission to close the gender gap in technology and to change the image of what a programmer looks like and does.

- 1. GWC Clubs are intended for students who either **identify as a girl** or would prefer to be in a **female-centered environment**.
- 2. GWC Club benefits to Tiverton High School and female students:
  - a. Advocate for females by providing access and opportunity to those interested in exploring and/or pursuing the field of computer science.
  - b. Provide a space, free from gender bias and intimidation, for females to express their creativity and computational thinking.
  - c. Complement and enhance Tiverton High School's Computer Science pathway.
- 3. Clubs **may not charge** for participation.