## **NCWIT ASPIREIT TOOLKIT**

Are you aspiring to **build a program** for K-12 students to help broaden participation in computing?

Are you an educator looking to **connect** with others to share resources and best practices?

Are you focused on **advocating** for broadening the participation of girls, women, and other underrepresented populations in computing and technology but don't know where to start?

The NCWIT AspireIT Toolkit helps anyone interested in designing engaging and inclusive computer science experiences for K-12 students, with a focus on broadening the participation of girls, women, and other underrepresented populations. The Toolkit is rooted in three core values — **peer mentorship**, **inclusivity**, and **hands-on** 



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Find everything needed to ENGAGE STUDENTS in your programming, RAISE AWARENESS about the importance of computing education, and CONNECT WITH OTHERS who share similar passions.

Some highlights include:

- quick access to quality activities from a variety of NCWIT partners
- example agendas and lesson plans from past AspireIT facilitators to discover which program type is right for you
- "how-to" guides that cover topics from logistics and facilitation to creating a welcoming space and measuring impact
- a curated selection of NCWIT research to help make the case for the importance of computing education in your community
- ways to engage with others and join the national conversation on broadening participation in computing education

The AspireIT Toolkit is free and available at: https://ncwit.org/aspireit-toolkit/.

If you have any questions, want to submit any sample lesson plans/agendas, or would like to provide feedback on the Toolkit as a whole, please email the team at <u>AspirelT@ncwit.org</u>.

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