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COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FOR THREE CONNECTICUT ALLIANCE SCHOOL DISTRICTS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH FUNDING FROM INFOSYS FOUNDATION USA

Mapping Tool Provides a Framework to Create or Expand K-12 Computer Science Instruction

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HARTFORD, CT -- Through the generous support of Infosys Foundation USA, ReadyCT is pleased to announce an opportunity for three Connecticut Alliance School Districts to receive SCRIPT training, a nationally recognized computer science instruction planning tool.

Developed by CSforAll, SCRIPT (Strategic CSforALL Resource & Implementation Planning Tool) walks teams of district administrators, school leaders, and educators through a series of collaborative visioning, self-assessment, and goal-setting exercises to create or expand upon a computer science education implementation plan for their students.

“Our organization is fortunate to partner with multinational corporations committed to investment in public education at the local level,” said Shannon Marimón, executive director at ReadyCT, a nonprofit organization advancing academic excellence and career-connected learning across the state through programming and policy efforts. “With this support, the potential to bring high-quality computer science instruction to students in our Alliance Districts is exciting. From there, we believe the effort can be brought to scale across the state.”

Only Alliance Districts -- the 33 lowest performing districts in Connecticut -- are eligible. Alliance Districts historically have large populations of low-income students who underperform academically compared to their non-low-income peers.

This SCRIPT training funding is further evidence of a demonstrated commitment by the Infosys Foundation USA to advance computer science learning for all. The foundation has already provided computer science training to over 14,000 teachers and 4.7 million students.
“At the Infosys Foundation USA, we believe that the best way to instill an interest in computer science in young learners is by supporting the professional development of teachers,” said Kate Maloney, executive director, Infosys Foundation USA. “We’re thrilled to support the delivery of SCRIPT training in three Alliance Districts so that district leaders, administrators, and teachers can come together to develop and implement a plan for high-quality computer science instruction that will transform learning for K-12 students in Connecticut.”

The training will be virtual and begin shortly after the district is selected. Interested school districts can complete this application form to be considered for the program.

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