TECH TEAM NEWSLETTER: FEBRUARY 2024
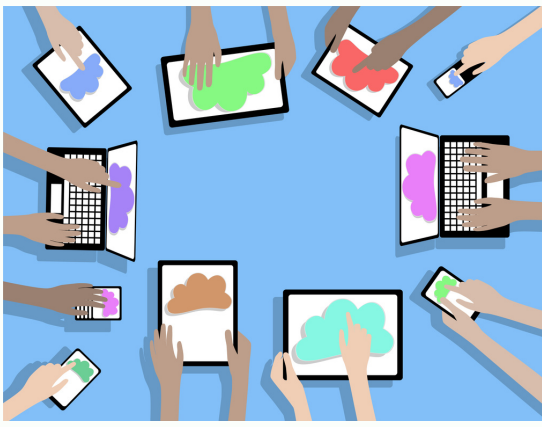
February monthly drop-in meeting recap:

- Agenda
- Key takeaway: We're encouraging all teams to become Funding Friendly! Do the grunt work now of writing out your teams key talking points to make applying for grants easier down the line.
- Homework: work on your Funding Friendly one-pager
- Date For upcoming drop-in meeting:
- View the recording here.

INCBCE
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Spotlight - East Columbus High School - Facilitator: Anthony Martin

- The student-led Gator Support Team has been making significant strides in technology education and support.
- Despite encountering some initial challenges with certifications, the team managed to repair over 200 devices in the first semester alone, showcasing their dedication and proficiency.
- Their success has continued into the second semester, prompting us to expand our facilities and entrust the entire Chromebook program to the team, thereby providing them with more opportunities to develop their skills and expertise.
- In addition to expanding their responsibilities, we're also prioritizing sustainability efforts by salvaging parts from decommissioned Chromebooks and responsibly recycling batteries.
- These initiatives underscore our commitment to providing practical learning experiences that prepare students for future careers in technology.

- February honors CTE programs, shaping students for high-paying careers.
- Grateful for educators, counselors, industry partners, and parents for guiding students' success.
- Together, we build a brighter future for students to thrive.

The NCBCE team loved dropping in on the Braille Writer Repair training at the Governor Morehead School for the Blind on Wednesday, February 13th. Led by Digital Learning & CTE Director Sarah McManus, five students and five staff members were trained on how to identify and clean tools, assemblies and parts, how to inspect for proper functioning, as well as dismantle exterior casings.

Swift Student Applications Now Open!

Encourage students to join the Swift Student Challenge 2024, where participants globally harness their creativity to craft apps addressing real-world issues. From facilitating mental health support to promoting campus sustainability, students utilize Swift Playgrounds or Xcode to build and submit their creations. Applications open on February 5 for three weeks, offering students an exciting opportunity to showcase their skills and make a positive impact.

NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S PAGE PROGRAM

NC GOVERNOR'S PAGE PROGRAM
BLACK STUDENT LEADER WEEK

FEB 26-29, 2024

Founded in 1973, the Governor's Page Program gives high school students from all over North Carolina the opportunity to come to Raleigh for a week of hands-on participation in their state government. Pages grow in four areas: history, civics, service, and professional development.

This page week is for North Carolina students who identify as Black or African American, and who are interested to learn from Black leaders in State Government.

Participants receive a $200 stipend to compensate for any costs associated with the program, and participation in the program is an excused absence from school.

APPLY HERE

Or go to surveymonkey.com/r/bslweek
email erinn.foote@nc.gov with any questions

The Governor's Page Program is run by the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (VolunteerNC). For more information visit **NC.GOV/VOLUNTEER**

Want to Make an Impact?

Intern in State IT.

The N.C. Department of Information Technology offers a variety of paid internships for high school and college students as well as people seeking to enter the technology field.

Gain real-world experience across our work divisions, contribute to our day-to-day operations, and connect with diverse individuals and communities.

Get Paid to Work Where You Want

Interns are paid $20 an hour, and most positions are eligible for remote work. Internships are available in the summer and throughout the year.

Find the Right Match for You

Whether you are still in school, just starting out your career or even looking for a change in profession, we have an internship that is right for you.
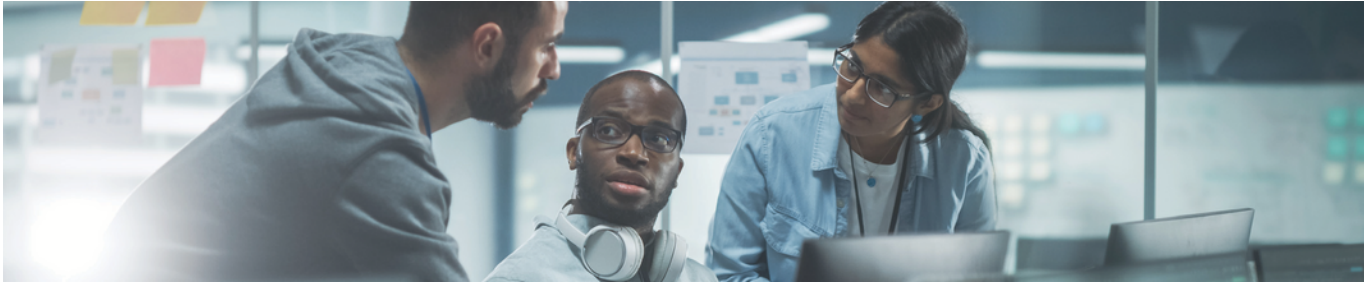
- Future Technologists
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Neurodiverse Program
- Workforce Diversity

How to Apply

Learn more about how you can apply at **it.nc.gov/intern**. Have questions? Contact internship coordinator Yori Lucien at yori.lucien@nc.gov.

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Interested in Working in Tech?

Start with NCDIT's Future Technologists Internship

Want to work in technology but not sure if you have the education or experience?

The N.C. Department of Information Technology's Future Technologist internship program might be right for you if:

- You are a high schooler interested in tech.
- You want to work in tech but are not planning to pursue a college degree.
- You do not yet have technology-related education or experience.

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