



Dear High School Counselor or Teacher:

Please submit your school's candidate and one alternate to attend the 20th Annual Computer Professions on Demand (CPoD) scholarship program on June 26-30, 2022! Students selected should have a minimum GPA of a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) it is preferred that the student be in their sophomore or junior year however, freshman and seniors may also apply. CPoD gives students a unique opportunity to explore career fields in computer technology and is hosted by the Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce-IT Roundtable and State Technical College of Missouri. Over two hundred high school students have already participated in the scholarship program – one of your students could be next!

Some highlights of last year's program and new activities upcoming this year include:

- Learning about cyber safety, problem solving, and critical thinking
- Meeting other students and gaining leadership experience through team projects
- Going on field trips to area businesses
- Gaining knowledge about project management, networks and basic concepts of how a computer works

CPoD is a great experience. But don't take our word for it – read what some previous participants thought:

“CPoD really opened my eyes to the world of IT.”
“The camp was amazing. I learned a lot about IT,
but I also learned a lot about myself and how much I really do love the IT field.”
“I love CPoD!”

Sixteen students plus four mentors (prior participants) are selected to receive a full scholarship to participate in the 2022 CPoD program *at no cost*. Employers and State Technical College of Missouri provide the financial and product donations to make CPoD possible. Those selected will stay in the State Technical College of Missouri on-campus housing facility with private baths and high-speed Internet connections. Meals and transportation to off-campus activities will also be provided. As a result, we hope to showcase to students potential career opportunities in computer technology fields while they gain valuable teaming experiences, as well as have fun and make new friends. Students do not need extensive computer skills to apply for CPoD.

Once you have chosen your school's candidate and alternate, complete the enclosed scholarship application forms and return them by April 20, 2022 to:

Amanda Barch
State Technical College of Missouri
One Technology Drive, Linn, MO 65051

It is important that all forms are completed and returned.

If you have any questions about CPoD, please feel free to contact me at 573-897-5153 or email amanda.barch@statetechmo.edu.

Sincerely,
Amanda Barch
State Technical College of Missouri