

Secondary CS and CET Questions

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What about homeschooled students?	We encourage all students in Nevada to study computer science and computational thinking following the approved K-12 Computer Science Standards in order to provide them with the necessary skills to ensure future success in a career path of their choice, virtually all careers. However, the educational plan of a homeschooled student is up to the child's parent inclusive of the subject areas listed in NRS 388D.050.
If students take Computer Science Principles, what course will follow in the CTE Pathway? CS 1 or CS 2?	The CTE Course Catalog outlines the sequence for 2018-19. Changes for 2019-20 will be requested Spring of 2018.
Where can I get trained on CS Principles?	The state Regional Professional Development Program is ready and available to provide training in computer science education for teachers at all grade levels. Contact Frank Mathews or Glenn Krieger for more information on available trainings.
If students have CS Discoveries (Code.org) in middle school do I want to offer them Exploring Computer Science (Code.org) in high school too?	No. These Code.org courses are very similar and it would be redundant for students to take both of them.
I'm a NR21 school. How does this fit with my 1:1 program?	NCLabs has software available on the NR21 schools. Please contact Pavel Solin for more information about training and support. There are many other computer science education resources available to support your NR21 schools. Please visit STEMHub website - CS pages for additional resources.
Do we know what the percentage of instructional time will be required for CS in the current ½ credit courses?	50% instruction on productivity tools and other computer technology usage 50% on computer science and computational thinking
Do you have to attend code.org training in Principles or Discoveries to be able to teach the courses for high school credit? Or can	The CS Principles and CS Discoveries curriculum by Code.org is free as well as their training, which may help districts get started

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<p>you just use the free resources and teach the course?</p>	<p>with implementing computer science education in their schools. Note: other curriculum that meets the new K-12 Computer Science standards will be reviewed as they are submitted to the state.</p> <p>The benefit of attending the CS Principles or CS Discoveries trainings with RPDP is 1.) These trainings will count towards the credit requirements for teacher endorsement, 2.) The teacher will become part of a statewide cohort of teachers who mentor each other and share resources, 3.) This is an approved training by the College Board for the teaching of CS Principles, and 4.) The resources and best practices shared in the trainings are invaluable for teachers new to this subject area.</p>
<p>Is CS Principles an approved course already?</p>	<p>Yes</p>