WeTeach_CS: Computer Science 8-12 Certification Incentive Program

Application Requirements:
Candidates are required to:

• **be pursuing certification in Computer Science 8-12.**
• not already hold the following certifications: Computer Science 8-12 or Computer Information Systems (any level)
• be currently certified to teach in Texas or enrolled in an approved teacher certification program
• submit an application and required documentation by applicable deadlines
• receive approval prior to testing (exceptions will be made for those who tested between August 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015)
• apply for a specific test window by the applicable deadline
• **register themselves** for the approved test date and pay all applicable fees
• complete all requirements for certification and pay all applicable fees
• provide proof of success on the exam and proof of certification by the applicable deadline
• participate and provide required information in a **post-program survey** during September 2016

Testing and Stipend Information:

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* Applications and proof of certification must be received by 5 pm on these dates. Failure to submit a complete application may result in loss of stipend.
** For additional information regarding test registration and dates, please go to [http://texas.ets.org/testdates](http://texas.ets.org/testdates) and look under Computer-Administered Tests.
• Once approved by the program, participants are expected to register themselves for testing and pay all applicable fees.

• Following successful completion of the exam participants must apply for certification, pay all applicable fees and provide proof of certification by the deadline stated above.

• Applicants will be notified of acceptance via email prior to the testing registration deadline.

• The program will accept applications for test windows between 8/1/15 and 8/27/16.

• Proof of successful certification must be received no later than the date specified in the application in order to receive a stipend.

• Funds are limited. Individuals are encouraged to apply early.

• While not required, WeTeach_CS Training is being offered to help participants prepare for the exam. Preregistration is required.

Participation Incentives:

• A stipend in the amount of $1000 for documentation of successful completion of certification in Computer Science 8-12

To Apply:
• Complete the online application at http://www.thetrc.org/weteach_cs-cip/
• Submit the required documentation as explained on the next page

For questions about The University of Texas at Austin, Center for STEM Education, Computer Science 8-12 Certification Program please contact:
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http://sites.utexas.edu/trccsblog/
Required Documentation to be Submitted Prior to Testing:

Payee Information Form - Submit the Payee Information Form (found at http://www.thetrc.org/weteach_cs-cip/ along with a scan or picture of your drivers license via our box link at http://stemcenter.utexas.edu/upload)

All other documentation should be submitted via the contact below:

Assurances (found at http://www.thetrc.org/weteach_cs-cip/)
Proof of Employment/Enrollment – submit a copy of your contract or a letter from an administrator on school letterhead.
Proof of Current Certification – submit a PDF based on your information from https://secure.sbec.state.tx.us/sbeconline/virtcert.asp

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Fax:  
Please include a cover sheet with your name and email address clearly marked.
Attn: Jennifer Kaszuba
512-471-9244

Email:  
Please make sure scanned pages are legible.
jennjk@utexas.edu

All forms and documentation must be submitted by the applicable deadline. Please keep a copy of all forms and documentation for your record. We are not responsible for forms lost or delayed due to the USPS or another carrier.

For test dates after 12/31/15 you must be ACCEPTED into the Computer Science 8-12 Certification Program PRIOR to TAKING the TEST.
Application Checklist:
- Completed online application
- Returned proof of current certification
- Proof of current campus specific employment for 2015-2016 OR proof of enrollment in an approved educator certification program
- Returned assurances page
- Returned completed payee information form