

# Ways to Partner

**Annual 8th Grade Career Fair:** This is a great opportunity to speak informally with students as they visit your table. Participants receive a 6 foot table for artifacts, demos, or literature that they bring to help connect students with the career. This is a great way to reach many students and help them envision their future in the world of work. All careers welcome!

**Business Alliance:** This is a group of volunteers who help keep us informed of community/business opportunities that would benefit our students and staff and keep us updated about trends in employment skills. The group meets occasionally in person but primarily through email or phone conferencing.

**Classroom Project:** Have an idea for bringing real data into the classroom or simulating a workplace activity? Please share your thoughts.

**Host a Club:** After-school clubs such as Programming Club and Girls Who Code are moderated by local professionals who work with our teachers and students to facilitating engaging activities that promote real-world skills.

**Tech Girls:** Our school offers Tech Girls workshops which can be run by volunteers. Workshop in a Box opportunities are available, or create your own workshop. We are happy to work with you to develop workshop ideas.

**Become a Sponsor:** RCMMS has competitive robotics teams whose activities tie in directly with the academics of our magnet theme. Costs of competing and club fees are offset by the help of corporate and community sponsors. Sponsorship information is available if your organization wishes to support our robotics program.

**Classroom Speaker:** Do you have a passion for a particular topic? Let us help you get in contact with the educational staff at RCMMS that share your passion and we will help you to bring that excitement to the students.

**Finance Simulation Activity:** This is a hands-on, interactive, real-world activity where students act as young adults with jobs and financial responsibilities to manage. During the activity, students visit booths manned by volunteers and make financial decisions about paying for housing, transportation and other monthly expenses. Volunteers discuss and monitor these transactions and dispense the outcomes be they good or in need of improvement. Students are exposed to financial learning points such as the value of furthering their education after high school, the limiting effect bad credit has on their lifestyle choices and that "living within their means" allows them to save for their financial future.

**Tours:** Consider asking if your workplace will welcome students. This is a great opportunity for students to see behind the scenes and discover the values and skills expected in the workplace. In March there is an organized statewide effort, Students@Work, to arrange student tours. Your company may want to be a part of this initiative.

**Teacher Workplace Tours:** Teachers want to keep current on workplace environments, practices, and evolving career opportunities. Your workplace might support after-school tours.

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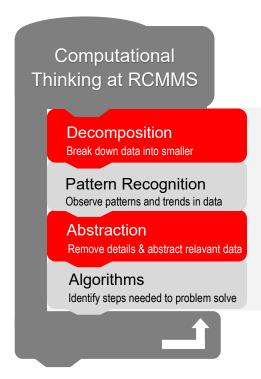
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# Get to Know us

Reedy Creek Magnet Middle School Center for the Digital Sciences prepares students for the digital world by teaching them to be problem solvers who think critically and creatively and who use technology as a tool for collaboration and innovation. Along with coding across the curriculum, we offer a variety of electives including Bits & Bytes, Computer Science, Emerging Technologies, and Robotics & Mechatronics.



#### What is Digital Sciences?

Digital Sciences teaches an approach to learning called Computational Thinking. Computational Thinking involves collecting data, breaking it down, analyzing it, looking for patterns, and finding creative and innovative steps to solving problems. This way of thinking serves children in all subject areas and in their lives, even beyond academics.

#### Reedy Creek Center for the Digital Sciences students will:

- Be prepared for their futures in a digital world.
- Become responsible digital citizens.
- Work collaboratively and creatively with others to solve problems.
- Learn and practice computational thinking as a problem-solving process embedded into all curricula.
- Have the opportunity to work with, learn from, and interact with businesses, organizations, and technology companies in our area.



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