Jack Dorsey

Creator, Twitter. Founder and CEO, Square

"I think that great programming is not all that dissimilar to great art. Once you start thinking in concepts of programming it makes you a better person...as does learning a foreign language, as does learning math, as does learning how to read."

Drew Houston

Founder & CEO, Dropbox

"Software touches all of these different things you use, and tech companies are revolutionizing all different areas of the world...from how we shop to how farming works, all these things that aren't technical are being turned upside down by software. So being able to play in that universe really makes a difference. "

Salman Khan

Founder, Khan Academy

"To prepare humanity for the next 100 years, we need more of our children to learn computer programming skills, regardless of their future profession. Along with reading and writing, the ability to program is going to define what an educated person is."

Peter Denning

Association of Computing Machinery, former President

"Learning to speak the language of information gives you the power to transform the world."

Bill Gates

Chairman, Microsoft

"Learning to write programs stretches your mind, and helps you think better, creates a way of thinking about things that I think is helpful in all domains."

Gabe Newell

Founder and President, Valve

"The programmers of tomorrow are the wizards of the future. You're going to look like you have magic powers compared to everybody else"

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