



# A HIGH SCHOOL HACKATHON BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS.

## WHO WE ARE

### OUR BEGINNINGS

def hacks() was originally founded by Caitlin Stanton as her she++ initiative in March of 2015. It was then run in association with CSTUY. After the event, Caitlin decided to break away from CSTUY and create def hacks() as it is today: by high school students, for high school students. She brought in Emily Redler and the two ran the first student-run def hacks() in October of 2015.

### DEF HACKS() TODAY

def hacks() has now expanded to have hackathons in New Jersey and California as well as New York, and will surely spread farther in the coming years. We now run two hackathons yearly (one in Spring and one in Fall), each of which is attended by about 100 hackers and is 24 hours long.

**100** high school hackers  
**24** hours of coding  
**3** hackathons across the country  
**96** percent of attendees said they are very likely to recommend def hacks() to a friend

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### CAITLIN STANTON

Caitlin is a senior at Stuyvesant High School. She is an alumna of the Girls Who Code program and was a #BUILTBYGIRLS intern at Cambio/AOL.



### EMILY REDLER

Emily is a senior at Stuyvesant High School. She loves to read, write, and code and spent the last two summers at Oxford University and Brown University.