

*These are the basic strings of git commands needed to interface with Github. Use this after you watch the video or read the powerpoint. ONLY USE THIS FOR COMMAND INSTRUCTIONS - THIS DOESN'T EXPLAIN NORMS OR BEST PRACTICES. This is not exhaustive, just a beginners command list.*

## **WITH EXPLANATIONS**

### **Establish a Local Repository**

- Navigate to your directory  
(“dir” command will show the current directory navigation points, “cd **directory**” where **directory** is the name of the folder you want to navigate to. If you just type “cd”, the computer will bring you back to the base. “cd ../” will navigate up the folder.”
- Use the command “git init”.

### **Connect a Repository to GitHub**

- On GitHub, navigate to the repository you want to connect. Then, click on the “Clone or Download” button and copy the link.
- Navigate to the directory on your computer that you want to this repository to be stored in.
- Use the command “git clone **COPY AND PASTE LINK**”

### **Start a new GitHub Repository**

- Click the “New” button on the MNGSC Ballooning home page.
- Create a repository (Include a README, do not include a .gitignore or a user license)
- Connect the repository to your computer.

### **Pull from GitHub**

- Navigate into the clone repository.
- Use the command “git pull origin **BRANCH NAME**” (The branch name that you want to pull- this defaults to “master”)

### **Save files to a repository**

- Navigate to the repository.
- Navigate to the branch in the repository you want to save into. (Use “git branch” to see what branches exist. Use “git branch **BRANCH NAME**” to create a new branch. Use “git checkout **BRANCH NAME**” to move into an existing branch.
- Use “git status” - everything in red is an unsaved change
- Use git add command
  - “git add .” will add every file (ONLY USE IN THE INITIAL COMMIT TO A REPOSITORY)
  - “git add -u” will add every EDITED file
  - “git add **FILE NAME**” will add a specific file

- Use “git status” to make sure that everything is green. If it is not green, it will not be committed!
- Use “git commit -m “**STATE CHANGES**” to save the files.

### **Push to GitHub**

- Save the files to the clone repository.
- Use “git push origin **BRANCH NAME**”

### **Merging GitHub Branches**

- GitHub cannot merge branches. Merge the branches locally (Using “git merge **BRANCH NAME**”), (the branch name will state the branch you want to merge with the one you are currently checked into) and then push the change. Merge will save the files automatically.
- If your branch is not up to date, use “git fetch origin **BRANCH NAME**” in a new branch, and then merge the branches locally.
  - All merges for github should be done locally. Try to pull new code as frequently as possible to avoid having to resolve code within the Arduino IDE.

### **Delete a Branch**

- On github, use the settings in the repository
- On git, use ‘git branch -d **BRANCH NAME**’

## **COMMAND LISTS**

### **File Navigation**

- cd directory
- cd
- cd ../
- dir
- ls

### **Branch Navigation**

- git checkout <branch>
- git branch <branch>
- git branch

### **Establish a Local Repository**

- git init

### **Connect a Repository to GitHub**

- git clone <link>

### **Start a new GitHub Repository**

- On GitHub

**Pull from GitHub**

- `git pull origin <branch>`

**Save Files to a Repository**

- `git add .` OR `git add -u` OR `git add <fileName>`
- `git commit -m "MESSAGE"`

**Push to GitHub**

- `git push origin <branch>`

**Merging GitHub Branches**

- `git fetch origin <branch>`
- `git merge origin <branch>`

**Delete a Branch**

- `git branch -d <branch>`

**Other Useful Commands**

- `git status`
- `git reset` (To undo an add staging)