

METRO HACKS

MetroHacks 2017 Request for Proposal

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I. VISION & MISSION

MetroHacks is a non-profit computer science education organization. We organize coding competitions, or "hackathon," for high school students. Our events bring together computer science enthusiasts and entrepreneurs together in a collaborative and innovative environment. Our vision is to enable all high schoolers to have a place to pursue their interest in solving real world problems and bring their creativity to the table. Metrohacks 2017 will bring ~350 CS students to bridge the gap between the high school classroom and the reality of the tech industry.

II. PREFERRED DATES

First choice dates: Saturday, 4/1/2017 - Sunday, 4/2/2017
Second choice dates: Saturday, 4/22/2017 - Sunday, 4/23/2017

The hackathon will begin Saturday morning, around 9AM, and conclude ~4PM on Sunday. If possible, we would like to set up the space during the Friday afternoon or evening prior to the event.

III. SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Layout

We are expecting 300-400 students to attend the 24-hour event and to stay overnight. We will need tables and chairs correspondingly, and will set up the room in a classroom format for hackers to work in teams. MetroHacks will be catering meals from food sponsors; space should be available for food distribution. Asides from the main space, 3 breakout rooms and 1 sleeping room are preferred.

Technology

The space must have power and WiFi capabilities for ~500 devices at the same time. We will also need to use the venue's A/V equipment for announcements and displays.

IV. HISTORY

We had a successful event last year, with 225 participants, over 40 completed projects, mentors from industry leaders such as Google and Microsoft, and speakers from Harvard University and MIT. For more details, please visit 2016.metrohacks.co.