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Coding Camp Coworking Resilient Lab



We teach young people from communities traditionally underrepresented in technology how to code. We do this in three ways: **(1)** Coworking during the school year, **(2)** Coding camps in the spring and summer, and **(3)** Resilient Lab, the web development shop that employs our higher performers to work with real clients.

What your effort means to us

Many of our city's young people struggle with school because they don't see the relevance of the material in their lives. The best thing we can do for them is to speak to that skepticism by presenting them with evidence that learning to code can lead to a meaningful career. You are that evidence. You are their model for success, and so your insight and your support are enormously valuable.

Thank you for joining the mission.



Do I have to prepare anything?

Nope, not unless you're running a workshop. You're basically there as a TA. The best way to start is to simply ask a student to tell you about his or her project. You'll get pulled right in.

What does the curriculum look like?

In **Coworking** (during the school year), we run a modular curriculum (like say, Khan Academy) rather than a linear one (like school). The idea is that all students will learn the basics of HTML and CSS, at their own pace, and then explore other stuff, like JavaScript, or Rails, per their interests. Our In the **Coding Camps**, we take a more directed approach to the pedagogy. Over the week-long camps, students will learn HTML and CSS with the purpose of building simple websites, or product prototypes.

What's the time commitment?

Just drop by and pay us a visit. We hope you'll be back, but we won't hold you to it. If you choose to come back, we will ask you to submit to a CORI check, since you'll be working with minors. In **Coworking** (during the school year), we meet Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 4pm to 6pm, though students tend to trickle in around 3:30pm. During the **Coding Camps**, we meet from 2pm to 4pm. During the Media Leadership Camp (Summer), we will be meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Here's the schedule for Summer 2015: <http://ow.ly/O3cg6>

How do I sign up?

Drop us a note at david@resilientcoders.org. And don't forget to sign up for the mailing list at resilientcoders.org/you.

