

PS00 - Create a GitHub Account

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You'll need a GitHub account for most assignments. Already have a GitHub account? Great!

- Do you have a printed copy of your recovery codes? If not, skip to step 2
- If you have an account and your recovery codes, skip to step 3.

1. Sign Up for GitHub

- Go to [GitHub.com](https://github.com) and click **Sign up**.
- Enter a unique **username**, your **email address** – one you can access from a school laptop, if needed – and a **strong password**.
- GitHub will email you a launch code—enter it to verify your address.
- **Skip enabling 2-Factor Authentication (2FA) if you can.** If you cannot, be certain to get the recovery codes (described in #2, below) and bring them to class. I can setup a Time-based One-Time Password (TOTP) application to serve as your backup 2FA.
- Complete the personalization prompts or skip them – either is okay.

2. Print or copy out your recovery codes

- If you cannot skip enabling 2FA, **print your recovery codes and keep them with your Comp Sci notebook.**
- Click your avatar in the top-right corner, choose **Settings > Password and Authentication** and scroll to the bottom.
- **View** your recovery codes and **Print** them. It's not a bad idea to print a second copy to keep somewhere safe at home and/or download them to your personal computer as a backup.

3. Email me your username.

- In the email, include:
 - your name
 - your GitHub username
- Send the email from the account you want me to use to communicate with you.
- My email: nkruckenberg@northridgeprep.org

Curious what a GitHub profile looks like?

- Here's my personal profile: <https://github.com/kruckenberg> (my username is **kruckenberg**)
- Here's the Northridge Prep organization's profile: <https://github.com/northridge-dev>