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PURPOSE

PURPOSE OF THE APP

Our (Periwinkle Studios') app, CrestConnect, is created by our team Periwinkle Studios. The app's purpose is to provide a simple and efficient method of communication within our school community. CrestConnect can keep students and parents up-to-date on upcoming school activities or events as well as provides a more convenient way for teachers to communicate with their students.

CrestConnect has three different account options for students, parents, and teachers. There are pages for a home feed, calendar, class list, and chat messaging system.

For the project scope, we aim for the app to be fully developed and published by fall of 2023 on the Google Play Store. While the current app allows for cross-platform access, we will still require a budget regarding the development and publishing of the app on Apple iOS due to different guidelines. The development of the app is set to end by the end of 2023.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE

Attached are the Terms and Conditions for CrestConnect, which is also located in the settings page of the app. Disclaimers regarding copyright, fair use, and licensing will be in the section "Assets" of this documentation.



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PLANNING PROCESS

SOFTWARE SELECTION

The development of CrestConnect Centered around the Unity Engine. Our team chose to use the Unity Engine because of its simple, but versatile, Unity Editor GUI, usage of the popular OOP C# scripting language, dedicated 2D rendering engine, and its ability to multiple platforms (including Apple's iOS, Google's Android, and Microsoft's Windows systems).

The app uses Unity Engine 2021.3.14f1 as it was the latest LTS version of Unity available when our team began development. Alongside the editor, we also utilized Unity's "Microsoft Visual Studio Community 2022", "Android Build Support", and "iOS Build Support" modules.

For scripting, our team utilized Microsoft's VS2022 IDE due to its native support for the .Net framework and Unity Engine's custom libraries.

We also used GitHub as it provided both version control and a method of sharing project files. Its usage of Git also meant that our development would provide real world experiences.

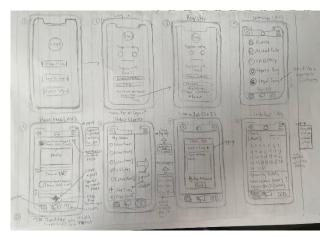
PLANNING PROCESS

To begin, we decided to draft the specifics of the app purpose and content. We focused its purpose for it to be a communication platform and sectioned the pages of the app in sections like:

- Account Login
- School Calendar
- Class Feed
- Settings
 Next, we began on a
 storyboard to visually structure

what the app would look like.

STORYBOARD





CREATION OF THE APP

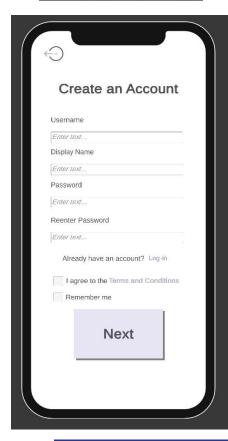
After the storyboard was complete, we split our work into two categories: coding and app design. Our programmer would create the backbone of the app and follow the general layout of the storyboard, while the app designer will take the skeleton and design it to create

the final product.













PROGRAMMING

LANGUAGE

Unity Engine is based on Unity's Mono framework. This language is a blend of Microsoft's Mono and .Net Standard 2.1 frameworks. This framework allows our developers to program the app with Microsoft's C# language.

COMMENTS AND DOCUMENTATION

Our comments and programming documentation follow two industry standards: Unity Attributes and Microsoft's XML Documentation Comments. We chose these because they both provided numerous benefits. Unity Attributes allow us to modify settings without having to dive into code.

PROGRAM MODULES

During the process of developing the application, we relied on three modules:
UnityEngine, TMPro, and System. UnityEngine is a namespace provided by Unity Engine that contains important runtime scripts. TMPro is another namespace provided by Unity for managing UI text. Finally, System is a namespace by Microsoft with many fundamental components of both the .Net framework and C# language.



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Attached is a link to our copyright disclaimer and is also present in the settings page of the app.

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