Leaders and trendsetters agree more students should learn to code

Steve Jobs
"I think everybody in this country should learn how to program a computer because it teaches you how to think."

President Bill Clinton
"Every single year in America there is a standing demand for 120,000 people who are training in computer science."

Stephen Hawking
"Whether you want to uncover the secrets of the universe, or you just want to pursue a career in the 21st century, basic computer programming is an essential skill to learn."

Bill Gates
"Learning to write programs stretches your mind, and helps you think better, creates a way of thinking about things that I think is helpful in all domains."

Senator Marco Rubio
"Computer programmers are in great demand by American businesses, but there are not enough graduates to fill these opportunities."

Sheryl Sandberg
"An understanding of computer science is becoming increasingly essential in today's world. Our national competitiveness depends upon our ability to educate our children in this critical field."

Dr. John Hennessy
"Learning to program is exciting: it's stimulating, fun, develops new ways of thinking, and in a very short time you can build programs that will impress your friends and family!

Dr. Larry Corey
"Computers are an increasingly essential part of understanding cancer and developing new therapies. Knowledge of computer programming is almost as important as knowledge of anatomy when it comes to medical research or clinical care. "

Dr. Lee Hood
"Computer scientists have become essential as part of cross-disciplinary teams of researchers who tackle some of the most challenging issues in science today."

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