**THE 411 FOR FACILITATORS**

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Y Girls Code is dedicated to closing the gender gap in technology by increasing the number of girls interested in technology and creating a pipeline of future tech engineers.

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Participating girls learn key concepts behind computer programming languages, whether their goal is to build an app, create a website, or program a robot. Additionally, the club environment encourages sisterhood. Activities are designed to increase self awareness, confidence, and esteem.

**WHO FACILITATES Y GIRLS CODE MEETINGS?**

Club facilitators. These are not required to have a coding background. We encourage after-school teachers or other interested staff to support the club by walking the girls through the online modules. Ideally the facilitator-to-student ratio should be 1 for every 10 students, with 10-12 students in total, and no more than 2 students per computer.

**IS THERE A CURRICULUM TO Y GIRLS CODE?**

Yes! It’s a curriculum consisting of online modules. Facilitators and volunteers will complete a course that familiarizes them with this curriculum, and will then walk the students through it. This will be provided by the Y Girls Code program.

**WILL THERE BE ANY ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO COVID-19?**

Yes! Each club can decide whether they’d like to operate virtually or in person using appropriate health and safety measures such as social distancing.

**WHAT’S NEXT?**

Please contact YWCA.GC’s youth empowerment & engagement coordinator, Whitney Anderson, at ygirllscode@ywca-charlestonsc.org for details and any other questions!