# THE 411 FOR FACILITATORS

#### WHAT IS THE GOAL OF Y GIRLS CODE?

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 afterschool 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 director of women's & youth programs, CJ Gathers, at 843.722.1644 or <a href="mailto:yegirlscode@ywca-charlestonsc.org">yegirlscode@ywca-charlestonsc.org</a> for details and any other questions!



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