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## **Growing Support Behind New Coalition's Effort to Expand Computer Science Education in K-12 Classrooms**

*One week after launch 62 businesses and NGOs comprise Computer Science Education Coalition*

**Washington, D.C.**—The Computer Science Education Coalition announced that 19 new members have joined the coalition since its launch on March 8, 2016. These members join a diverse group of business leaders and NGOs in their effort to encourage Congress to invest \$250 million in K-12 computer science education.

The new additions to the Computer Science Education Coalition include: **Applied Technical Systems, Bond Consulting Services, Computer and Communications Industry Association, CTIA, Cyber Innovation Center, EMC Corporation, Excelencia in Education, Expedia, Inc, FMS, Inc, Hispanic Heritage Foundation, IAC, Information Technology Industry Council, Infosys, LinkedIn, Onsupport Corporation, State Privacy & Security Association, Teach For America, Telecommunications Industry Association, and Twitter.**

“Expanding access to computer science education in K-12 classrooms across America is essential if we want our kids to have the skills they need to compete and win in the global economy,” said Erin Siefing, Chair of the Computer Science Education Coalition. “Our students aren’t just competing with the kids from across the hall, across town, or across the country. They are competing with students from across the globe for the skills that will power the jobs and industries of the future.”

“The interest and enthusiasm the coalition has received since its inception indicates that a diverse group of today’s businesses and NGOs view federal funding for K-12 computer science education as an important investment in America’s future,” said Katie Whelan, Executive Director of the Computer Science Education Coalition.

The 19 new members bring the Computer Science Education Coalition’s membership total to 62. A full list of members can be found [here](#).

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