



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C., 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Computer and Robotics Equipment at Wilmington Area School District in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Wilmington Area School District, located at 300 Wood Street New Wilmington, PA 16142.

The funding would be used for the implementation of a computer science curriculum in the middle school and grades 5 & 6. It is directly addressing the needs of the current job force and the projected number of jobs requiring some type of computer science background, which is expected to skyrocket over the next 3-5 years. There are 10s of thousands of jobs unfilled right now because employers are unable to find candidates that have experience with any type of computer science. This project would allow Wilmington Area to contribute to society by better preparing our students for the demand of the ever-changing workforce. In addition, students will develop a skill set of complex thinking, analysis and reflection which will allow them to be successful in any field.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Kelly
Member of Congress