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Dear Community Volunteer,

Only 40% of our US high schools teach computer science, yet there are currently over 500,000 open computer science positions without talent to fill them. We need to change this equation so that young people can be ready for the future job market and work at companies like yours.

My name is Nicole Peterson and I am the CTE Coordinator for the Oshkosh Area School District and I am writing to ask for your help to bring computer science education to our school. Both Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West have applied to partner with Microsoft Philanthropies TEALS, a program that recruits, trains, mentors, and places passionate volunteers from the technology industry into high school classes to train and team-teach with a classroom teacher. More information about TEALS is available at <http://www.tealsk12.org>.

As a TEALS partner school, both Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West, need to demonstrate that we can help recruit volunteers for the computer science or software engineering fields to participate in the program with our teachers.

A single volunteer from your company will impact the future of our students. As a local leader in the technology industry, your engineers volunteering their time in our school can help bring computer science to a broader and more diverse pool of students. You can make an immediate impact and the result is that we'll be able to offer computer science to our students next year. Generous sharing of your time and talent will have a direct and immediate impact on our schools.

Goals and Expectations from Volunteers

- Curriculum has been created using Snap and Python - you will need to deliver the created content.
- Commit to 2 times per week in the classroom.
- **You will act more as a facilitator, you will be leading the instruction when needed.** There will be a high school teacher working alongside with you. The curriculum is written for you, so it just depends on what the lesson is that needs to be delivered!
- Course runs from 8:12-9:00 at both High Schools.
- Opportunity to recruit potential employees for future employment.
- Helping OASD stay competitive with surrounding communities by offering this experience for students.

I am very excited about this opportunity and would love to discuss it with you at your earliest convenience. If you prefer, I can put you in touch with the TEALS Regional Manager, Amy Bires, who is working with our school to speak with you about the specifics of the program and how best to share this message with your employees.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to speaking with you in the future.

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