The Rice University School Mathematics Project (RUSMP), in collaboration with WeTeach_CS at UT Austin and Code.org, is offering a professional development program for secondary computer science (CS) teachers in the Houston area during the Spring and Summer of 2017. Note that Houston ISD middle school teachers receive first priority.

The RUSMP WeTeach_CS Collaborative (Collaborative) participants will be selected from teachers who have been accepted into the 2017-2018 Code.org CS Discoveries Professional Learning Program, also offered through RUSMP. Through the Collaborative, participants will receive additional professional development and support through to help them start their schools’ CS programs. The goal of this program is to increase CS content and pedagogical knowledge of the Collaborative participants.

Collaborative participants will receive:

- $1,600 stipend;
- $610 in books and teaching materials;
- Opportunities for customized professional development including face-to-face mentoring to become Texas-certified in grades 8-12 CS or travel and registration support to attend the WeTeach_CS Summit being held June 5-7, 2017; and
- Networking opportunities with other CS teachers, industry professionals and college faculty.

All Collaborative participants will be required to complete at least 60 hours of professional development at completion of the program which will include the Code.org CS Discoveries 5–day summer workshop in Houston from June 19 – 23. In addition, Collaborative participants will be required to attend three evening meetings on April 3, May 22, and June 28.

Interested? Apply to the Code.org CS Discoveries Professional Learning Program at https://code.org/educate/professional-learning/cs-discoveries. Applicants are accepted on a rolling basis. The deadline is March 17.

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