July 15, 2021

Dear Colleague,

I am writing to invite all students in middle and high school to participate in the 2021 Congressional App Competition.

The Congressional App Challenge (CAC) is a public effort to encourage children and young adults to learn how to code, through annual district-wide competitions hosted by Members of Congress. It is open to all middle and high school students in New York’s 24th Congressional District, and the winning app from our district’s competition will be displayed for one full year in the United States Capitol in Washington D.C. Winners will also be invited to Capitol Hill to participate in a celebration called #HouseOfCode where they will meet their Representatives, demo their apps, and connect with other coders from around the country.

Student registration for the Congressional App Challenge opened on June 24th, 2021. All entries must be submitted online through the Congressional App Challenge by November 1st, 2021. The winning app from NY-24 will be determined by a panel of judges.

**Students MUST submit all Congressional App Challenge materials through the CAC website. My Office will not accept ANY CAC applications.**

For your convenience, I have included additional information regarding the competition with this letter.

Detailed information on the Congressional App Challenge can be found at https://www.congressionalappchallenge.us/. If you or your students have specific questions, please contact Patrick McKinney at 315-423-5657 or Patrick.McKinney2@mail.house.gov.

I am excited about this wonderful opportunity for your students and I look forward to seeing what they develop for this challenge.

Sincerely,

John Katko
Member of Congress (NY-24)