Hour of Code Encourages Education in Computer Science

The annual worldwide event, Hour of Code, encourages students from a wide range of backgrounds to learn more about computer science. At Pewaukee Lake and Horizon elementary schools, the Hour of Code events begins in classrooms on Dec. 7 and runs throughout the school week. On Thursday, Dec. 11, Hour of Code events will take place in classes all day from 9:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There are even five-year-old kindergarten students pairing up with Horizon age (4-6th grades) in some activities.

As part of the Hour of Code, there is an option to connect with people affiliated with coding in the community. For instance, a parent of a second grader who works for Accenture who will be coming in to assist with her daughter’s classes in the event. This parent is also gathering co-workers to come in and help. There may also be opportunities for some brief guest speakers to join in the event during the week. Spanish teachers Christa Miller and Karen Migacz are going to be conducting coding activities in Spanish with their sixth graders. It will shape up to be an exciting week of coding in kindergarten through sixth-grade classes!

The Hour of Code website states that the goal of this event is to encourage a quality computer science education for all children. For more event information, visit the website for this worldwide event: www.code.org

For more information or a schedule of activities in Pewaukee Lake or Horizon elementary schools, contact Wendy Wong at 262-695-5036 or wongwen@pewaukeeschools.org.

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