

Colorado CTE Course – Scope and Sequence

Course Name	IT 2 (Informatio 2)	n Technology Level	Course Details	1.0	
Course Description Note:	The Information Technology (IT) Level 2 course builds upon foundational IT knowledge gained at the beginner level, delving deeper into advanced concepts and practical applications. This course is designed to enhance students' proficiency in various IT domains, fostering a deeper understanding of hardware, software, and networking components. students will have an enhanced understanding of advanced IT concepts and will be well-prepared to pursue further studies or enter the workford with a solid foundation in information technology. (CSTA Standards) This is a suggested scope and sequence for the course content. The content will work with any textbook or instructional resource. If locally adapted, make sure all essential knowledge and skills are covered.				
SCED Identification #		for guest speakers, student p	on 60 calendar days of a 90-day semester presentations, field trips, remediation, or of	ther content topics.	
All courses taught in an ap			mbedded into the course content. The Es		r this course can be
Instructional Unit Topic	Suggested Length of Instruction	CTE or Academic Standard Alignment	Competency / Performance Indicator	Outcome / Measurement	CTSO Integration
Debugging & Deconstructing	7-14 days	CSTA Standards View full list on CSTA link. 2-AP-10 2-AP-11 2-AP-12 2-AP-13 2-AP-14 2-AP-15 2-AP-16 2-AP-17 2-AP-18 2-AP-19 3A-IC-25 3A-AP-21	 Breaking down complex problems into steps using abstraction and decomposition. Creating models and flowcharts of computer software and hardware. Writing pseudo code for programs. Test and refine computational artifacts to reduce bias and equity deficits. 	2A-AP-10 Use flowcharts and/or pseudocode to address complex problems as algorithms. 2A-AP-11 Create clearly named variables that represent different data types and perform operations on their values.	Technology Student Association TSA, Skills USA Skills USA



Design and iteratively develop programs that combine control structures, including nested loops and compound conditionals.

2-AP-13

Decompose problems and subproblems into parts to facilitate the design, implementation, and review of programs.

2-AP-14

Create procedures with parameters to organize code and make it easier to reuse.

2-AP-15

Seek and incorporate feedback from team members and users to refine a solution that meets user needs.

2-AP-16

Incorporate existing code, media, and



	libraries into original programs, and give attribution.
	2-AP-17 Systematically test and refine programs using a range of test cases.
	2-AP-18 Distribute tasks and maintain a project timeline when collaboratively developing computational artifacts.
	2-AP-19 Document programs in order to make them easier to follow, test, and debug.
	3A-IC-25 Test and refine computational artifacts to reduce bias and equity deficits.



				3A-AP-21 Evaluate and refine computational artifacts to make them more usable and accessible.	
Circuits and EE	2-3 weeks	1B-CS-02 2-CS-01 2-CS-02 2-CS-03 3A-CS-01 3A-CS-02 3A-CS-03 3A-NI-04	 Writing programs to command and operate physical computer devices such as microcontrollers, sensors, and input detectors. Bridging an understanding of how software commands physical electronics Understanding how to troubleshoot problems with physical electronics by examining programming code. 	1B-CS-02 Model how computer hardware and software work together as a system to accomplish tasks. 2-CS-01 Recommend improvements to the design of computing devices, based on an analysis of how users interact with the devices. 2-CS-02 Design projects that combine hardware and software components to collect and exchange data.	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA



2-CS-03

Systematically identify and fix problems with computing devices and their components.

3A-CS-01

Explain how abstractions hide the underlying implementation details of computing systems embedded in everyday objects.

3A-CS-02

Compare levels of abstraction and interactions between application software, system software, and hardware layers.

3A-CS-03

Develop guidelines that convey systematic troubleshooting strategies that others can use to identify and fix errors.

3A-NI-04: Evaluate the scalability and



				reliability of networks, by describing the relationship between routers, switches, servers, topology, and addressing.	
Cybersecurity	14-21 days	CSTA Standards: 2-NI-04 2-NI-05 2-NI-06	 Examining how cryptography and ciphers ensure computer security Exploring multi-factor authentication as a protective computer solution. Interacting with ethical hacking and pen-testing scenarios Learn and understand the concepts of the five pillars of cybersecurity (confidentiality, integrity, availability, nonrepudiation, and authentication) may include, but are not limited to, access control paradigms, accountability, authorization, least-privilege, and need-to-know. Troubleshooting strategies for software include but are not limited to, reverse 	2-NI-04 Model the role of protocols in transmitting data across networks and the Internet. 2-NI-05 Explain how physical and digital security measures protect electronic information. 2-NI-06 Apply multiple methods of encryption to model the secure transmission of information.	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA



			Detecting adversarial behavior techniques may include, but is not limited to, threat hunting and basic troubleshooting steps triggering cybersecurity incident response scenarios. • Computational thinking and Problem Solving - (Analyze and utilize strategies) • Analyze and utilize data through the use of computing devices (Data, Information, and Security)		
Javascript Programming /Game App Design	14-21 days (2 Weeks)	ISTE: 1.d Develop a Growth Mindset. CSTA: 2-AP-13 3A-AP-13; 3A-AP-14; 3A-AP-15; 3A-AP-16; 3A-AP-17; 3A-AP-18; 3A-AP-22;	 Creating interactive game and art programs using a Javascript environment (Such as Code.org) Understanding common programming concepts such as loops, conditional statements, and variables Object-oriented programming on an X-Y coordinate plane. Functional programming concepts: Pattern matching (matching patterns in a data structure where values can be used to enhance code by making it more maintainable and reducing 	ISTE: 1.d Develop a Growth Mindset. Develop resilience and perseverance when approaching CS and CT learning experiences, build comfort with ambiguity and openended problems, and see failure as an opportunity to learn and innovate. 2-AP-13 Decompose problems and	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA



the chance of errors that relate to incorrect extraction of data.

- Leverage problem-solving strategies to solve problems of levelappropriate complexity
- Problem-solving strategies that encompass computational thinking include abstraction, algorithm development, decomposition, and pattern recognition.

subproblems into parts to facilitate the design, implementation, and review of programs.

3A-AP-17
Decompose
problems into
smaller components
through systematic
analysis, using
constructs such as
procedures,
modules, and/or
objects.

3A-AP-18

Create artifacts by using procedures within a program, combinations of data and procedures, or independent but interrelated programs.

3A-AP-22;

Design and develop computational artifacts working in team roles using collaborative tools.



obotics	7-14 days (2 weeks)	• ISTE 1.d CSTA: • 2-AP-10 • 3A-AP-16 • 3A-AP-17 • 3B-AP-10 • 3A-AP-21	 Modifying code parameters to experiment with robotics challenges such as sensing obstacles and distances Exploring careers and scenarios in modern robotics Identifying the purpose of robotics in industrialization Data Information and Security Utilize the engineering design process Develop schematics relevant to robotics system architecture Analyze and utilize collaborative methods in 	ISTE 1.d Develop a Growth Mindset. Develop resilience and perseverance when approaching CS and CT learning experiences, build comfort with ambiguity and openended problems, and see failure as an opportunity to learn and innovate. CSTA: 2-AP-10: Use flowcharts and/or pseudocode to address complex problems as	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA
		 problem-solving of level-appropriate complexity Analyze and utilize level-appropriate troubleshooting strategies for hardware and software Classify and utilize types of information that are stored in robotics systems including, but not limited to, 2D and 3D coordinate systems and sensor data. 	algorithms. 3A-AP-16 Design and iteratively develop computational artifacts for practical intent, personal expression, or to address a societal issue by using events to initiate instructions.		



Types of Machine Learning & Data Sets	14-28 days (2-4 weeks)	• 2-AP-17 • 3A-CS-02 • 3A-NI-04 • 3B-AP-09 • 3B-AP-10	 Server Virtualization Implementation: Design and implement a virtualization strategy using such technologies as VMware. Optimizing Network Infrastructure: Upgrading routers, switches, and implementing advanced security protocols Hardware Lifecycle Management: Implement backup strategies and conduct drills with real scenario-like events. 	2-AP-17 Systematically test and refine programs using a range of test cases. 3A-CS-02 Compare levels of abstraction and interactions between application software, system software, and hardware layers. 3A-NI-04 Evaluate the scalability and reliability of networks, by describing the relationship between routers, switches, servers, topology, and addressing. 3B-AP-08 Describe how artificial intelligence drives many software and physical systems. 3B-AP-09 Implement an artificial intelligence	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA



				algorithm to play a game against a human opponent or solve a problem. 3B-AP-10 Use and adapt classic algorithms to solve computational problems. 3B-AP-11 Evaluate algorithms in terms of their efficiency, correctness, and clarity.	
IT Scenarios (Hardware)	2-3 Weeks	• 2-CS-02 • 3A-CS-03 • 3B-CS-01	 Server Virtualization Implementation Design and implement a virtualization strategy using such technologies as VMware. Optimizing Network Infrastructure, Upgrading routers, switches, and implementing advanced security protocols Hardware Lifecycle Management; 		Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA



			Implement backup strategies and conduct drills with real scenario- like events		
Software Scenarios	2-3 weeks	CSTA: • 2-CS-02 • 3A-CS-02 • 3B-CS-01	 Integrate various enterprise-level software solutions (e.g., ERP, CRM, HRM). Ensure data consistency and security across integrated platforms Investigate and mitigate a security incident by analyzing logs, identifying vulnerabilities, and implementing corrective actions. 	CSTA: 2-CS-02 Design projects that combine hardware and software components to collect and exchange data. 3A-CS-03 Develop guidelines that convey systematic troubleshooting strategies that others can use to identify and fix errors. 3B-CS-01 Categorize the roles of operating system software.	Technology Student Association TSA Skills USA Skills USA
Careers in IT	2-4 weeks		Identify various fields within IT fields and their respective career opportunities. a. Recognize the work typically performed, tools and technology		



	used, and nature of work environment b. Identify potential certification opportunities c. Find membership organizations associated with the careers d. Understand the necessary education associated within the careers e. Research security clearance requirements associated within the careers	