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CoderDojo coming to Greenwood Library *Teens learn coding at brand new monthly coding program*

Teens in grades 5-12 interested in coding will soon have a new monthly program where they can learn new skills and meet other like-minded students. CoderDojo will meet the third Monday of each month at Greenwood Public Library (GPL) beginning Monday, April 16th at 6pm.

GPL staff worked with software developer Mindy Effinger to set up the new program. Effinger has a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Southern Indiana and is excited to offer this opportunity to teens. "I think the earlier the introduction to coding the less of a mystery computer science becomes. My first coding exposure was my senior year of high school," stated Effinger, "through Greenwood CoderDojo I hope to reach youth a lot earlier. Technology is everywhere, so even if you do not become a software developer, having basic programming knowledge will still be a valuable asset."

"We're excited to be able to offer this type of programming for free to Greenwood teens," commented Teen Librarian Jessica Smith. "We definitely value STEM programming here at GPL, so this seemed like a great fit."

Interested teens are required to register for CoderDojo through the library's website. The first session will be Monday, April 16th at 6pm in GPL's TeenHQ.

What: TeenHQ: CoderDojo

When: Monday, April 16th 6pm – then every 3rd Monday

Where: Greenwood Public Library | 310 S. Meridian St. Greenwood, IN

Registration: Free event, registration required at www.greenwoodlibrary.us

About Greenwood Public Library

In the heart of Old Town Greenwood, Greenwood Public Library actively enriches lives, promotes discovery, and fosters personal growth. GPL's newest campaign is aimed at creating a renewed excitement for reading in the Greenwood community.

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