

NCTA FAQ

Scholarship Application deadline is January 21, 2022

Scholarship link: https://www.research.net/r/NCTA_ScholarshipApplication

Administrator's letter of support is required

Q: Do teachers select which university program they want to join?

A: Teachers will rank their selections, but you may not get your first choice. There will be 30 teachers enrolled in each of the three institutions.

Q: Are the courses taught virtual or in-person?

A: All courses are virtual. Some courses may use a flipped classroom. And some will have synchronous and asynchronous components to the class.

Q: Can teachers complete a Master's degree through NCTA?

A: The NCTA program covers tuition and fees for 12 graduate hours. Teachers can enroll in additional courses at their own expense.

Q: If a teacher already has a Master's degree, can they apply these courses to a CAS (Certificate of Advanced Study)?

A: That decision is made by the institution offering the CAS.

Q: What happens if the teacher's school does not offer a cybersecurity course?

A: The intent of the program is to support the development of high school cybersecurity teachers who will offer a cybersecurity course in their school.

Q: Does a computer science course with some cybersecurity topics, such as AP Computer Science Principles, count as a cybersecurity course?

A: While programming knowledge is helpful, the goal is for teachers to offer a dedicated cybersecurity course.

Q: Can middle school teachers apply?

A: This program currently supports high school teachers offering dedicated cybersecurity courses.

Q: I currently teach PLTW. Will I need to change my curriculum?

A: The NCTA program supports choice of curriculum.

Q: How do I apply?

A: The first step is to apply for the scholarship. Those awarded scholarships will be notified of which university program they have been selected for and will then need to apply to that university.