

VIRGINIA AND WASHINGTON D.C.

AFFILIATE AWARD



In great celebration, the Virginia and Washington D.C. Affiliate Award for Aspirations in Computing honored 21 young women and brought together a community of like-minded emerging technologists with a lunch reception at the Virginia Tech Research Center in Arlington, Virginia. With over 80 people in attendance, these young women were able to interact and network with computer science and technology professionals, volunteers, community members, parents, and educators including the keynote speaker, Jan Cuny of the National Science Foundation. Much of Jan's work has helped to increase students' interest in computing, especially from traditionally underrepresented groups. At the luncheon, she shared an inspirational video of young coders describing their own experience in and arrival to the world of computing. The Winners were awarded trophies, prizes, and a generous scholarship offer to Virginia Tech. The Virginia and Washington D.C. Affiliate Award also enjoyed an almost 50% increase in the number of Award applicants for this program year!



“Award recipients and parents were treating this as a milestone in their lives.”

~ Aspirations Award
Local Coordinator

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**Geographic
region
covered**

Virginia and the
District of Columbia



**Number of years
Affiliate Award
held in this region**

3



**Number of
2013 Awardees**

21



**Number of
2013 volunteers**

38

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Recipients of the NCWIT National or Virginia and Washington D.C. Affiliate Award for Aspirations in Computing will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, if they choose to major in Computer Science at Virginia Tech. In order to be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must enroll at Virginia Tech in the fall of 2012 or 2013 and declare a CS major within a year of enrolling at VT. This scholarship will be available for students in their sophomore year and is renewable for up to three years.

LOCAL COORINATORS

- Barbara Ryder, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Libby Bradford, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Kamaljeet Sanghera, George Mason University
- Mary Lou Soffa, University of Virginia
- Jim Cohoon, University of Virginia
- Nancy Lea Harris, James Madison University
- Felicia Doswell, Norfolk State University
- Virginia Torczon, The College of William & Mary
- Kelly Shaw, University of Richmond
- Giti Javidi, Virginia State University

LOCAL SUPPORT

- Genworth Financial
- George Mason University
- IBM
- James Madison University
- Norfolk State University
- Northrop Grumman
- The College of William & Mary
- University of Richmond
- University of Virginia
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Virginia State University

LOCAL WEBSITE

www.ncwit.org/awardVADC

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