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Secretary Holton to Join Local Leaders in Highlighting Computer Science Week, Hour of Code

*~ Kickoff event takes place at the Science Museum of Virginia on
Tuesday, December 9th ~*

Richmond, VA – On Tuesday, December 9th, Secretary Holton will join local officials, business leaders, educators and students at the Science Museum of Virginia in order highlight the importance of national Computer Science Education Week and the importance of The Hour of Code.

Currently, there are over 757 schools across the state participating in the Hour of Code.

The Hour of Code is a nationwide program designed by Code.org to inspire students, educators and schools all across America to engage in coding practice for one hour. CodeVA will be hosting the event, along with co-sponsors CapitolOne and Samsung.

WHEN: Tuesday, December 9
10:00 to 11:15 AM

WHERE: The Science Museum of Virginia, 3rd Floor, Barbara Thalheimer Theatre

WHO: Juan Conde of WRIC will serve as the MC of the event, which will include participation by students from MLK Middle School, the Mayor's Youth Academy, Bellevue Elementary, Secretary of Education Anne Holton, Deputy Secretary of Technology Anthony Fung, Richmond Mayor Dwight Jones, and others.