



**Palo Alto Networks is committed to making a difference by addressing racial disparity, particularly in the Black community, in technology, by increasing exposure, access and support to underrepresented students interested in pursuing a career in technology.**

At Palo Alto Networks, we believe in uplifting our communities and helping shape future generations. That's why we've created Cyber STARS, which seeks to bridge the digital divide and create opportunity through: education, training, mentorship, and economic empowerment for K-12 students in schools serving large numbers of Black and brown students.

## Why Cyber STARS?

### Our Focus

We are the global cybersecurity leader, focused on protecting our digital way of life to ensure our future is safe and secure. We are also a company that cares deeply about creating change and opportunity for underrepresented communities.

Palo Alto Networks Cyber STARS seeks to expose K-12 students in Title 1 schools to the cybersecurity industry. Through this program we aim to mentor, educate, and support the next generation of diverse business and technology leaders who will ultimately help reshape the cybersecurity industry to be more diverse and inclusive.

## Delivery of Cyber A.C.E.S to your classroom

Phase I of the Cyber STARS will focus on launching our mentorship program and delivery of the Palo Alto Networks Cyber A.C.E.S (16 lessons for kids aged 5 to 15) to students in schools serving large numbers of Black and brown students.

A Palo Alto Networks team member will support your students by delivering Cyber A.C.E.S lessons virtually or in person (post-COVID).

### Mentorship for Students

- Mentoring engagement to provide holistic support to individual students and serve as a resource to them.
- Mentoring for students interested in technology or business careers.
- Palo Alto Networks team members would commit to a multi-year engagement with students, helping with everything from life guidance, encouragement, tutoring, expanding their professional network, supporting college and technical school applications, etc.

### Long-Term Vision of Cyber STARS

- Create partnerships with individual schools and districts to provide funding and support for cyber teachers, instructional hardware, and apprenticeship opportunities for high school students.
- Fund scholarships for students who matriculate through the program and want to pursue higher education or a vocational/technical path.
- Support internships and job placement opportunities for Cyber STARS graduates.

Interested in bringing Cyber STARS to your school?  
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