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UPCOMING EVENTS

WED Nov. 4
•3:15 Get FAFSA help
FRI Nov. 6
•ReConnect Day
SAT Nov. 7
•9:00 UCA Stunt Clinic for BB Cheer
WED Nov. 11
•3:15 Get FAFSA help
FRI Nov. 13
•ReConnect Day
TUE Nov. 17
•6:00 BB Dyersburg A
THU Nov. 19
•6:00 BB Middleton H

GRADEBOOK ACCESS

Parents can request gradebook access by sending an email to grades@mcnairy.org. Include your child's name and grade. Your login information will be returned to you.

Students need to see Ms. Forsythe for a password reset.

Class Chats with Amazon

Computer Science Foundations students (l to r) Trey Butler, Daniel Porter, Isaac Plunk and Adrianne Shavers talk with Brian Boche about his varied career path, and what it's like to work at Amazon.

Sophie Bowers (left) and Lindsey Frady listen as Amazon employee Dana Abe talks about the career path that lead her to Amazon.

On October 29, MCHS students had the opportunity to talk with Amazon employees via Zoom chat. Students in Mrs. Chandler's and Coach Hatchell's 1st block Computer Applications, along with Ms. Forsythe's Web Design I and II talked with Dane Abe, a Customer Solutions Manager at Amazon Web Services. Dana is responsible for helping customers use the Amazon technologies in solving their problems. She talked with students about the 250 million products sold on Amazon, the entertainment side of their business with Prime Video, and the 8 languages that Alexa (voice recognition equipment) can speak. Dana works in the web services division, which offers server storage and multiple data solutions for businesses. We learned that many other companies store their data on Amazon servers, including Netflix and Tiktok.

Students in Ms. Forsythe's 4th block Computer Science Foundations also chatted with Brian Boche, a Partner Enablement Manager for Amazon's training and certification team. Brian had a varied path to working at Amazon, including failing his first attempt at college, and working for various cable companies. He said Amazon currently has some 9,000 job openings, everything from coders and programmers to pilots and movie producers.

Both stressed the importance of being able to work on projects or in groups, and to be willing to work hard. The goal was for students to understand there are a wide variety of jobs available in the Computer Science field, and to hear from two people who work in that industry who enjoy what they do, as well as how they got there.

The chats were provided as part of the Amazon Future Engineer program.

Students in Computer Applications and Web Design 1 & 2 learn about Amazon careers.