May 2, 2016

Dear parents, guardians and alumni:

We have a wonderful opportunity to team up with TEALS to bring computer science courses to our students. TEALS (Technology Education and Literacy in Schools) is a grassroots program that recruits, mentors and places passionate high tech professionals into high school classes as part-time teachers. The professional brings his or her subject knowledge and will join one of our classroom teachers in a team-teaching model. TEALS provides training for both parties as well as course outlines based on successful college courses.

South San Francisco High School has been accepted by TEALS for the upcoming 2016-17 school year. We will offer two courses: “Introduction to Computer Science” and “Advanced Placement Computer Science.” The introductory class is based on the award winning UC Berkeley CS10 course and is adapted specifically for high schools in conjunction with UC Berkeley. The other course will prepare students to take the College Board’s AP Computer Science A exam in May of 2017.

In order to offer these courses, South San Francisco High School is seeking to recruit volunteers from the Computer Science or Software Engineering fields to support these courses with our teachers. South San Francisco High School would hold the courses 1st period (done by 9:12AM) to permit the volunteers to get to their regular jobs.

If you or someone you know works in the Computer Science or Software Engineering field and would be willing to help us build a successful Computer Science program, please contact Dr. Cynthia Rapaidocrapaido@ssfusd.org or Ms. Rebecca Lee rlee@ssfusd.org.

You can read more about TEALS on their website at http://www.tealsk12.org. I am excited about this opportunity and look forward to hearing from many of you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Cynthia Rapaido

Principal