



*This syllabus is subject to change as needed.*

**Quarter & Term:** 2017-2018

**Course Number & Title** Introduction to Digital Technology

**Instructor Name and email:** Mrs. Shannon Anderson-Rush,  
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**Office Hours & Location:** M-F: 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Delivery Method:** online

**Pre-requisites:** None

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**COURSE INFORMATION**

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**COURSE OBJECTIVES & COMPETENCY AREAS:**

Various forms of technologies will be used to expose students to resources and application of computer science. Professional communication skills and practices, problem-solving, ethical and legal issues, and the impact of effective presentation skills are enhanced in this course to prepare students to be college and career ready. Employability skills are integrated into activities, tasks, and projects throughout the course standards to demonstrate the skills required by business and industry.

Computer Science Principles is the second course in the pathways Programming and Computer Science in the Information Technology Cluster. Students enrolled in this course should have successfully completed Introduction to Digital Technology.

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**STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

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Student learning objectives for Introduction to Digital Technology are found at:  
<https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/CTAE/Documents/Introduction-to-Digital-Technology.pdf>

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**Forsyth Virtual Academy Policies**

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**GRADING POLICY:** 90-100=A; 80-89=B; 70-79=C; Below 70=F

**GRADING SCALE:** Assignments (including quizzes): 25%; Tests: 75%

Assignments/Tests are expected to be submitted by the end of the week unless the instructor is contacted in advance of the due date. All late assignment will be accepted in accordance with FVA late work policy.

**INSTRUCTIONAL METHODOLOGY USED:** Presentations, quizzes, tests, lecture, assignments, access to publisher website, discussions, and evaluations

**WORK ETHICS:**

To promote positive behaviors, Students will discuss the following topics: Attendance, character, teamwork, appearance, attitude, productivity, organization, communication, cooperation and respect. A separate grade will be given to the student. 1=unacceptable; 2=acceptable and 3=above average

**ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS:**

Attendance will be tracked and marked in Infinite Campus. Attendance is based on assignment completion in itsLearning in accordance with FVA attendance policy. Attendance will also be tied to amount of work complete and submitted by the due date. Students will lose their driver's license (the ability to apply for a driver's license) if absent for 10 or more days in a school year.

**PLAGIARISM/CHEATING**

Making false representations to the Academy, including forgery and unauthorized alteration of documents, unauthorized use of any document or instrument of identification. See the Student Handbook for specifics on Academic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, dishonesty in quizzes, tests, or assignments.

**EMAIL COMMUNICATION:** ItsLearning email is the official medium for communication with students at Forsyth Virtual Academy. Students should monitor their ItsLearning email daily.

## **CALENDAR**

FVA operates on a calendar that is slightly different than Forsyth County Schools' traditional school calendar.

### **Important Dates for the 2017-2018 school year:**

August 7 – First Day

September 4 – No School

November 20-24 – No School

December 21 – End of Semester 1

January 8 - Start of Semester 2

January 15 – No School

February 16-20 – No School

April 2-6 – No School

May 25 – Last Day of School