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College of the Desert professors teach middle and high school students coding, cyber security, ethical hacking

What: Middle and high school students from throughout the Coachella Valley attend a two-week hands-on summer session at College of the Desert to learn about Cyber Security, Computer Coding and Ethical Hacking.

When: The classes run Monday through Thursday this week and next. Nearly 40 middle school students attend a morning session that runs from 9 a.m. to noon while high school students attend an afternoon session. The morning session is more entertaining visually than the afternoon session.

Where: College of the Desert's Palm Desert Campus, 43-500 Monterey Ave.

More Information: The CODe program is one of many examples of how College of the Desert works with its K-12 partners in the Coachella Valley to help young students learn more about finding their path to college. These summer sessions also introduce local middle and high school students to the possibilities of a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) career.

College of the Desert began the first two-week session of its hands-on CODe summer program on Monday. A second two-week session will be held at College of the Desert's Indio Campus starting July 31. That session continues to welcome applications from high school students.

How to cover: If you're interested in coming over to the Palm Desert Campus to cover a session this week or next, please reach out to James Meier via email at JMeier@CollegeoftheDesert.edu or call him at (760) 773-2589.

About College of the Desert:

Established in 1958, College of the Desert (COD), located in Palm Desert, is an accredited community college serving eastern Riverside County, California. The College leads the region in providing quality, higher education, technical training and lifelong learning opportunities, in response to the dynamic needs of our diverse community. The College serves more than 14,000 credit and 1,000 non-credit students each year and is the number one source of transfer students to California State University, San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. For more information, visit www.collegeofthedesert.edu.

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