

Aspirations in Computing (AiC) Award

National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT)

What is it?

The NCWIT [Award for Aspirations in Computing \(AiC\)](#) honors 9th-12th grade women, genderqueer, or non-binary students for their computing-related achievements and interests, and encourages them to pursue their passions. Award recipients are selected based on their aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing, as demonstrated by their computing experience, computing-related activities, leadership experience, tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and future plans. Awards are provided to National and Regional Winners and Honorable Mentions.

Eligibility

Women, genderqueer, or non-binary students in grades 9 through 12 are welcome to apply. Applicants must:

- Be 13 years of age or older
- Receive parent/guardian approval

Awards/Prizes

- Recognition at an award ceremony
- Engraved Award & Certificate
- Scholarship opportunities
- Various prizes/swag

Application Details

- Create & Update an aspirations.org account
- Complete application by deadline (see deadline on aspirations.org website)
- Application involves personal info + several short essays about your involvement in computer science and technology classes/experiences, leadership, interests, etc.

South has a strong history of students applying for and becoming winners and honorable mentions of the regional award. 100% of students from South who applied have been recognized at the award ceremony.