Dear Parents,

We live in a world surrounded by technology. And we know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly hinge on understanding how technology works. But only a tiny fraction of us are learning computer science, and less students are studying it than a decade ago.

That’s why I am planning for the entire school to participate in on the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code, during Computer Science Education Week (Dec. 8-14). Last year, 15 million students tried computer science in one week. This year, we're joining students worldwide to reach 100 million students!

Our Hour of Code is a statement that Monfort Elementary is ready to teach these foundational 21st century skills. To continue bringing programming activities to your children, I want to make our Hour of Code event huge. I welcome your to participation and support so if you would like to come in next week, please email me and I will let the office know that I am expecting you!

This is a chance to change the future of education in Utica Community Schools.

See http://hourofcode.com/us for details, and be sure to ask your child about their media center visit this week!

Regards,

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