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Florida Virtual School® Wins Education Technology CODiE™ Award

Orlando, FL (Aug. 10, 2017) – Florida Virtual School (FLVS) received a 2017 SIIA CODiE Award in the Best Coding & Computational Thinking Solution category for its Foundations of Programming course.

Foundations of Programming teaches students the fundamentals of programming using the computer language *Python*. The course provides students with the concepts, techniques, and processes associated with computer programming and software development. This course allows students to explore the many programming career opportunities available in this high-demand field.

Established in 1986, the SIIA CODiE Awards started for the growing software industry to evaluate and honor their peers' work. In the following years, the program grew into three different tracks: content, education, and software. These three tracks then became two: business technology and education technology.

The SIIA CODiE Awards is the only peer-reviewed program to showcase business and education technology's finest products and services. For more than 30 years, thousands of products, services and solutions have been recognized for achieving excellence.

"We are truly honored to receive this prestigious award for our Foundations of Programming course," said Dr. Jodi Marshall, president and CEO of FLVS. "We are committed to providing the best for our students, and winning a SIIA CODiE Award affirms our 20-year tradition of delivering high quality, student-centered learning opportunities."



Receiving the award on behalf of FLVS was Robert Blaydes, manager of Client Technical Development.

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About Florida Virtual School

[Florida Virtual School® \(FLVS®\)](http://www.flvs.net) is a fully accredited, statewide public school district offering more than 150 courses to Kindergarten-12 students. Its certified teachers use a variety of personalized instructional programs to create individualized educational plans for every student. Since 1997, FLVS students have successfully completed more than 3.6 million semester enrollments. FLVS also provides its courseware and expertise to online and blended learning programs across the nation. Services include content licensing, FLVS Global School, District Virtual Schools, digital learning labs, and professional development. As a not-for-profit, FLVS reinvests revenue into the development of new educational technologies and the creation of the highest-quality courses, benefiting students in Florida and beyond. To learn more, visit www.flvs.net.

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