[Photo of the outside of a building on Whatcom Community College's campus, with lavender and pink flowers in front.](#)

Promoting Diversity in STEM

Explore ways to engage indigenous people in cybersecurity during NCyTE's member meeting on 9/23, presented by [The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)](#)— an organization that has been advancing indigenous people in STEM, including cybersecurity, for 45 years.

NCyTE invites educators and industry members from STEM fields to join us for a presentation by AISES Engagement Officer Stacy Thacker, who will explore AISES history and share the services and initiatives AISES offers to students, industry, and educators. Learn about diversity promotion, job fairs, and the upcoming [2022 AISES National Conference](#) on October 6-8, 2022, in Palm Springs, CA.
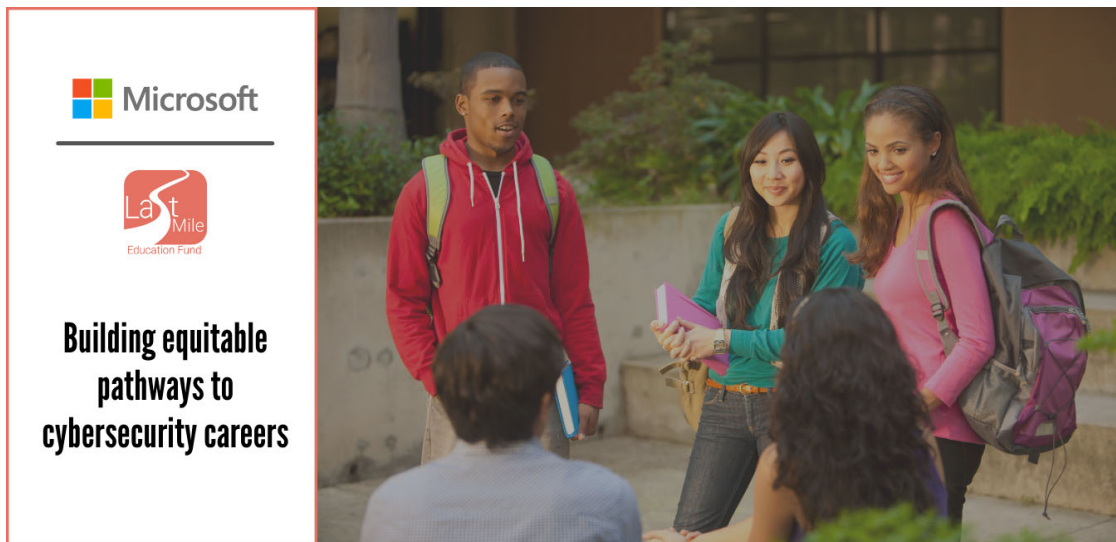
Register Now!

Securing Critical Networks & Addressing Cybersecurity Skills Gap

Join NCyTE for a two-part member meeting on 10/21 with presentations from the [Cybersecurity Infrastructure Security Agency's](#) (CISA) Anastacia "Staci" Webster, and [skillsgapp](#) co-founders Tina Zwolinski and Cynthia Jenkins.

Listen to Staci speak about CISA's strategies for securing critical networks and addressing cyber threats, as well as their community college hiring

initiative. Then, learn about Cyber Watchdog— a mobile game from skillsgapp that attracts middle and high school students in under-resourced communities to careers in Cybersecurity / IT. The game allows players to try different cyber careers and lets schools and industry members recruit players for programs and jobs. Visit the [event page](#) to register for the member meeting (*open to non-members*).

Financial Assistance for Cybersecurity Students

Share this opportunity with your cybersecurity students! The United States has a cybersecurity workforce shortage of nearly 700,000 professionals, but only 3% of students are obtaining a credential in computer and information sciences, and even fewer specialize in cybersecurity.

Our friends at [Last Mile Education Fund](#) have partnered with Microsoft to address the diversity and talent shortages in the cybersecurity workforce by offering financial assistance to community college students.

Financial assistance opportunities include:

- Financial aid up to $500.
- Subsidies up to $375 for cybersecurity certification exam fees.

Students can use financial aid to cover short-term basic needs such as food, rent, health-related expenses, transportation, and technology (e.g. laptop or computer). [Apply now!](#)

**View Cybersecurity /
IT Job Openings**

NCyTE Sponsored Travel Stipends for NICE K12

Are you interested in attending [NICE K12](#) but unable to finance the trip? The National Cybersecurity Training and Education Center (NCyTE) is offering ten travel stipends up to $1500 each to current secondary education teachers who meet the requirements listed on the application page, [here](#). All applications must be submitted by October 14, 2022 to be considered.

Applicants will be notified by November 5th if they have been selected to receive a stipend or not. [Apply now!](#)

Team Funding for National Cyber League Competition

NCyTE encourages high school teachers (grades 9 – 12) who want to lead a class through the [National Cyber League (NCL) Competition](#) to apply for team funding! NCyTE will cover NCL competition fees for ten high school classes (limit one class per school). If you are interested in applying for funding, visit our [application form](#) to read the requirements.

National Cybersecurity Virtual Career Fair Attracts Over 1000 Students

Thank you to all who participated in the 2022 National Cybersecurity Virtual Career Fair (VCF). The event was very successful, with 40 employers and more than 1000 students from CAE designated institutions participating. Many students expressed that the career fair was helpful in their job search.

Please mark your calendars for next year's VCF on September 22, 2023. We hope to see you there!

The National Cybersecurity Training & Education (NCyTE) Center advances cybersecurity education in the U.S. by investing in technological innovation, resources, professional development and tools to support faculty, community colleges and the workforce pipeline of tomorrow.

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