



RING

RING : Regions Investing in the Next Generation

Overview

- Origin and Goals
- Timeline



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THE NEXT GENERATION**



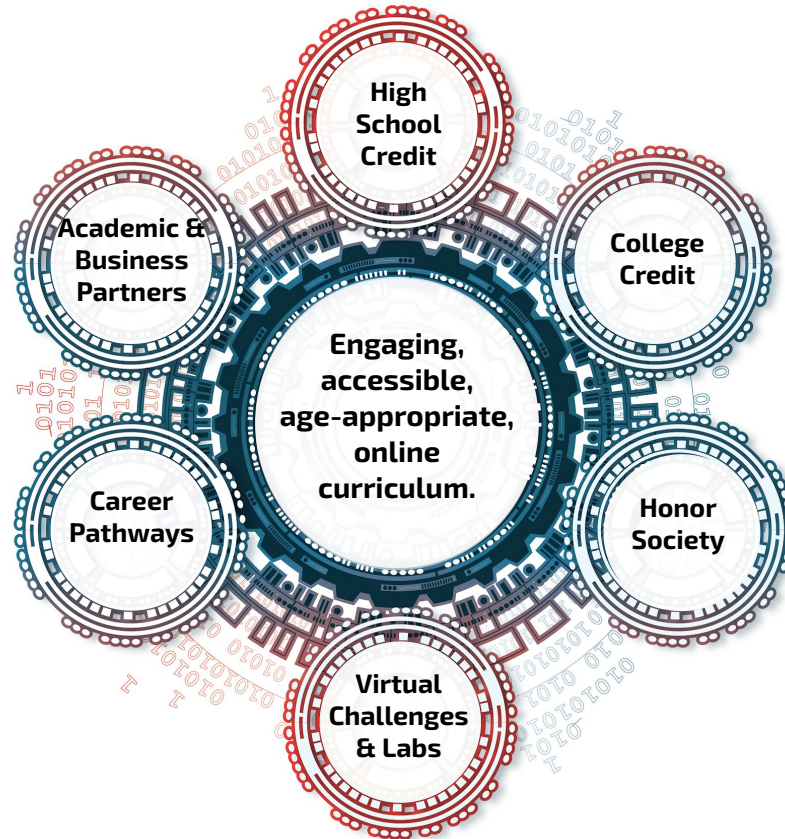
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Origin and Goals

RING Overview

K-12 Pipeline Grant **CAE-C**

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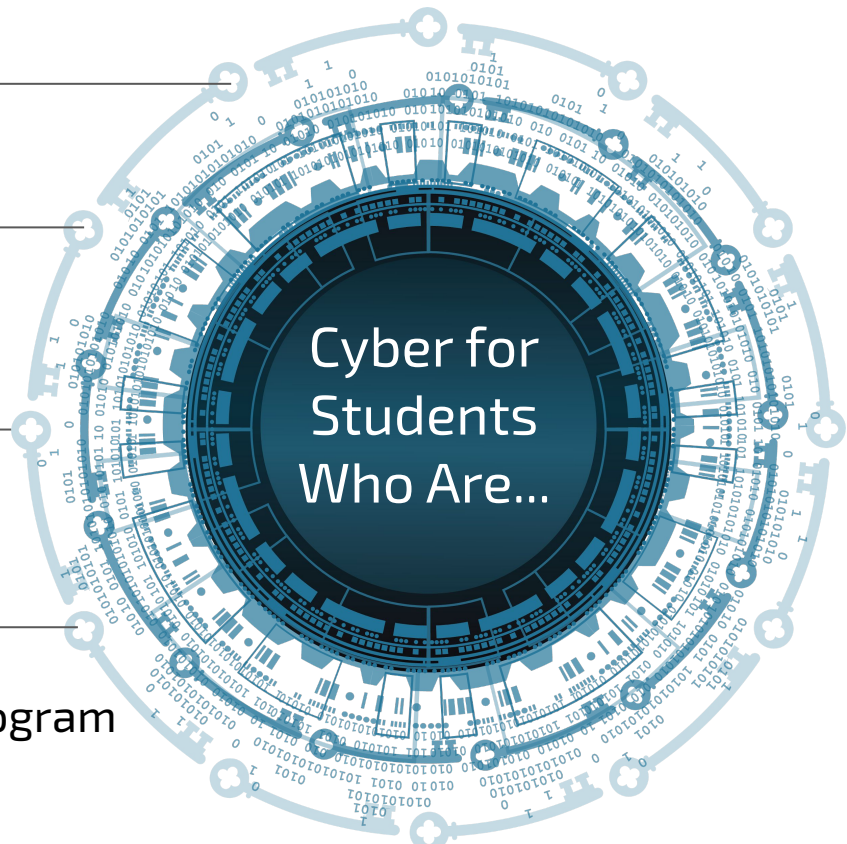
Purpose

Rural

Under-resourced

Homeschooled

Attending schools
without a cyber program



Cyber for
Students
Who Are...

Targeting
high school
students in
the U.S.

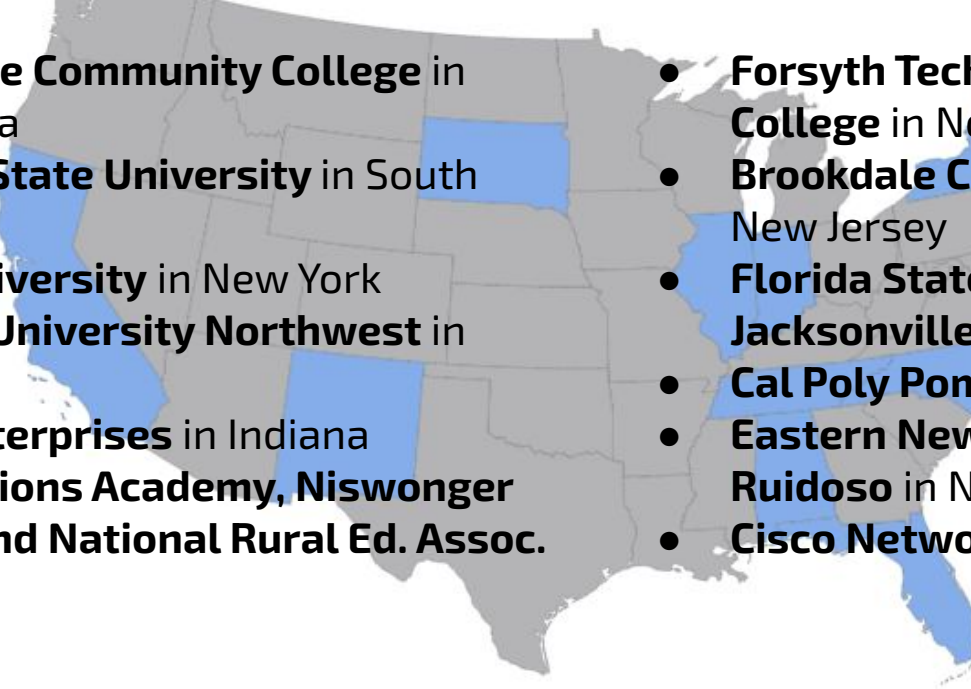
Grant Partners for RING 1

The University of Alabama in Huntsville in Alabama

- **Coastline Community College** in California
- **Dakota State University** in South Dakota
- **Pace University** in New York
- **Purdue University Northwest** in Indiana
- **Dark Enterprises** in Indiana
- **Connections Academy, Niswonger Fndn., and National Rural Ed. Assoc.**

Moraine Valley Community College in Illinois

- **Forsyth Technical Community College** in North Carolina
- **Brookdale Community College** in New Jersey
- **Florida State College at Jacksonville** in Florida
- **Cal Poly Pomona** in California
- **Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso** in New Mexico
- **Cisco Networking Academy**



The RING

Inspired by the Iron Ring of engineers

- Pride with humility
- Ethical obligation
- Professional conduct

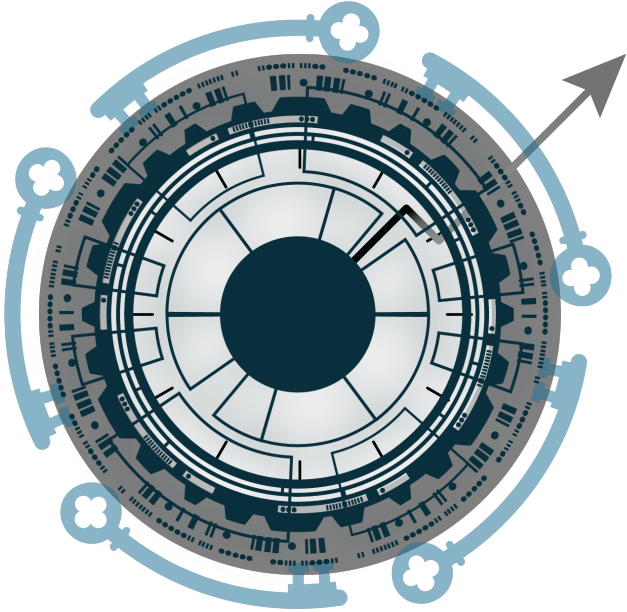
Goal of RING is to provide cybersecurity for all students with an emphasis on **ethics**, **personal responsibility**, and **professionalism**.



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Progress and Timeline

Timeline Highlights



Fall 2021

Curriculum Development
Launch the Pilot Course

Spring 2022

Use feedback to enhance the curriculum

Summer 2022

Launch RING for other institutions

Fall 2022

Expand the course to more students

Online Curriculum for Credit

- Pilot course taught by a trained and credentialed K-12 educator
- Available for use by any educator
- Students will receive high school credit
- Students have the option to receive college credit at participating institutions
- Students may be eligible for technology assistance



Pilot Course

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT Alabama Connections Academy

When you enroll your child in Alabama Connections Academy, we'll expand the ways they can learn. Discover what it's like to be part of an online public school that helps students go further in life.



Curriculum Package

Lesson Plans & Instructor Slides

Lesson & Unit Planner | Sharing & Class Website | Stan Tract

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Week Month Unit Timeline Outline | filters

Unit Timeline

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Ubiquitous Connectivity

Day 3: 3.1

Standards and Objectives

3.1 EU The Internet is a large, globally distributed network that is divided into L...

3.1.1 EU Students will explain how devices use layers to communicate across L...

3.1.1a EX Networks carry two types of information, those that allow for the co...

CAE KUs

Lesson Delivery and Setup

Instructor will need a computer, access to the Internet, and a projector (or appropriate screen sharing software if virtual). Student activities can be completed on paper or digitally. Students will need access to the Internet for some activities.

Procedures

Warm Up Activity

Have students work with a partner to describe a grocery store. They might list things like the customers, the employees, the cash

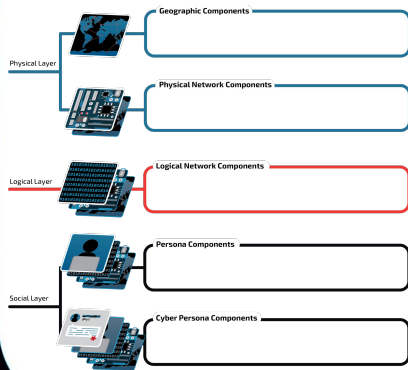
Labs & Games



Visually-Rich Content

Physical Layer	Logical Layer	Social Layer
Geographic Components	Logical Network Components	Persona Components
Physical Network Components	Cyber Persona Components	

Graphic Organizers



Name: _____
Date: _____
Period/Block: _____

Classify the CIA-Triad (Print)

Objective: I can categorize the CIA Triad.

Part 1: Drag-and-drop each part of the CIA Triad to match the scenario.

Confidentiality **Integrity** **Availability**

Fraudulent dollar bills.

Which part of the Triad does this scenario VIOLATE?

Glasses with a built-in microphone.

Which part of the Triad does this scenario VIOLATE?

A cell phone signal jammer.

Which part of the Triad does this scenario VIOLATE?

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Assessments

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____ ID: A

Unit 11 Authentication and Identity Management

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

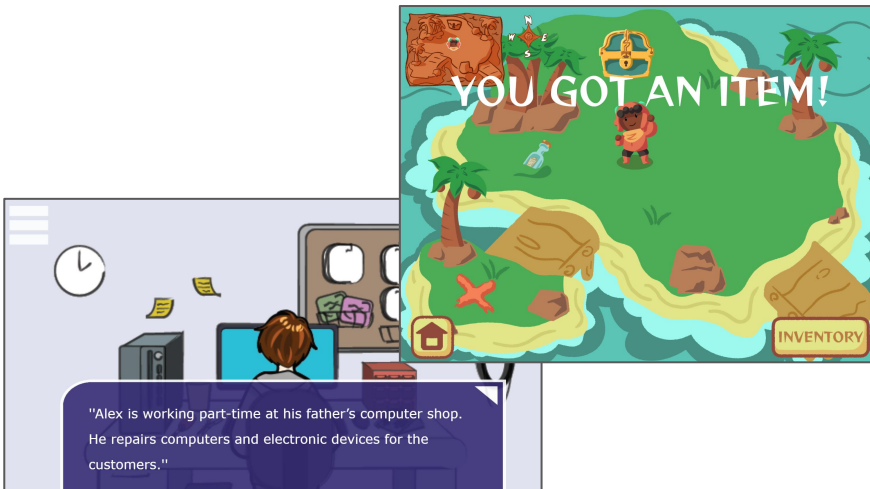
- This ties behavior to a specific user.
 - a. password
 - b. username
 - c. least privilege
 - d. multi-factor
- Which of the following is NOT a way to authenticate a user?
 - a. Something the user knows
 - b. Someone the user is
 - c. Something the user is
 - d. Something the user has
- Which of the following is something the user does?
 - a. smartcard
 - b. fingerprint
 - c. signature recognition
 - d. retinal scan
- Which of the following is NOT a good password strategy?
 - a. Making a good password and using it over and over
 - b. Having a password that is easy to remember but difficult to guess
 - c. Having a password that is complex
 - d. Making a unique password for each account
- Which of the following is NOT a factor in password strength?
 - a. length
 - b. type of account
 - c. complexity
 - d. unpredictability
- Siimooe finds a briefcase that has a lock that is three numbers long (_____) what is the maximum number of tries it would take her to find the correct combination of the lock?
 - a. 10
 - b. 100
 - c. 1,000
 - d. 10,000
- Which password would take the longest to crack?
 - a. 123456
 - b. T!lk@e1f
 - c. apple1
 - d. qwerty
- Which of the following is an example of good password security?
 - a. changing passwords often
 - b. hiding the password underneath the keyboard
 - c. sharing your password with only your best friend
 - d. keeping your password the same as the default password

Data Application	End user layer: program opens	HTTP, FTP, DNS, Telnet	Software
Data Presentation	Syntax Layer: Encrypt / Decrypt	SSH, IMAP, JPEG, MPEG	
Data Session	Sync & Send: Interhost communication	SQL, PAP, API's, Sockets	
Segments Transport	TCP & Flow Control: Communication & Reliability	TCP, UDP	Hardware
Packets Network	Packets: Path Determination & IP Addressing	IPv4, IPv6, IPsec, ICMP, ICMP	
Frames Data Link	Frames: MAC & LLC (Physical) Addressing	Ethernet, ARP, STP, PPP	
Bits Physical	Physical Structure: Media, Signal, & Digital Transmission	Coax, Fiber, Wireless	

Labs and Games

Labs provide hands-on learning through an online portal.

Games map to Big Ideas that drive the primary learning objectives.



Asymmetric Practice

Name: _____
Date: _____
Period/Block: _____

Objectives:

Explain the relationship between public and private keys in asymmetric cryptography.

Apply an asymmetric cryptographic tool to accomplish confidentiality and integrity in a practical scenario.

Overview

RSA is a popular algorithm used for asymmetric cryptography. It can be used to generate public-private key pairs and both encrypt and decrypt information. You will explore RSA using a simple online tool to encrypt a message to your partner. In a future assignment, we will install and use a more realistic version of RSA.

Setup

1. This is a paired activity. Grab a partner and work together!
2. Both you and your partner visit the website: <https://www.javainuse.com/rsagenerator>
(Note: if the website is down, use the backup site: <https://www.codeusingjava.com/tools/rsa>)
3. You and your partner will need a way to copy and paste data back and forth (e.g., Zoom, Slack, email).

1. Key Generation

You and your partner will each generate your RSA public and private keys: click **Generate Keys**.

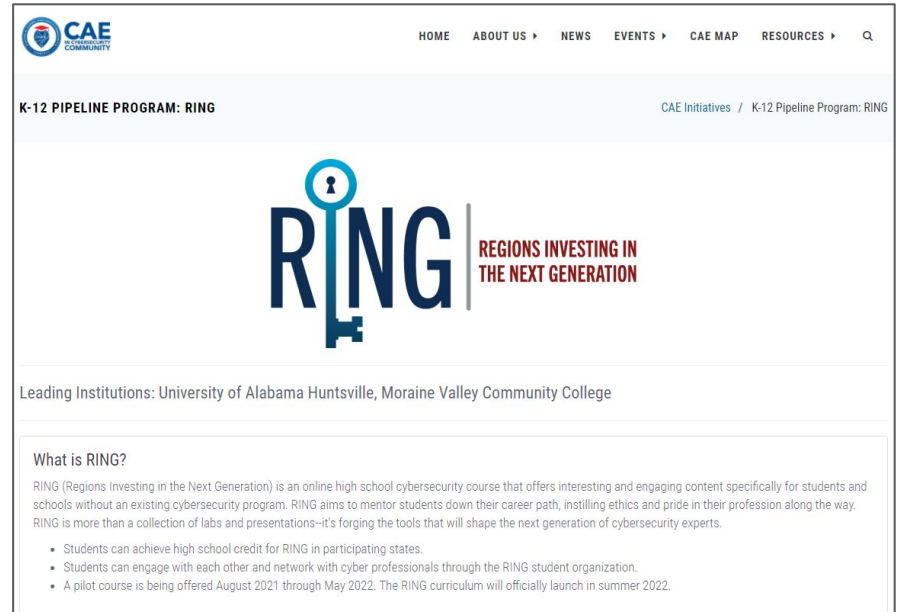
RSA Generate: Keys

This tool generates RSA public key as well as the private key of sizes - 512 bit, 1024 bit, 2048 bit, 3072 bit and 4096 bit with Base64 encoded. The generated private key is generated in PKCS#8 format and the generated public key is generated in X.509 format.

Website

URL: <https://www.caecommunity.org/initiative/k12-ring>

Student and Teacher Interest Forms



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Leading Institutions: University of Alabama Huntsville, Moraine Valley Community College

What is RING?

RING (Regions Investing in the Next Generation) is an online high school cybersecurity course that offers interesting and engaging content specifically for students and schools without an existing cybersecurity program. RING aims to mentor students down their career path, instilling ethics and pride in their profession along the way. RING is more than a collection of labs and presentations—it's forging the tools that will shape the next generation of cybersecurity experts.

- Students can achieve high school credit for RING in participating states.
- Students can engage with each other and network with cyber professionals through the RING student organization.
- A pilot course is being offered August 2021 through May 2022. The RING curriculum will officially launch in summer 2022.

Student Organization

Students will receive entry to their own student organization.

- Connected to the online course
- Webinars
- Online discussion groups
- Mentorship
- Career pathway advice
- Other opportunities

Students can complete a learning/community service portfolio to also be considered for the honor society.



Curriculum Driven By

Cybersecurity Curriculum Guidelines

- Ethics
- Establishing Trust
- Ubiquitous Connectivity
- Data Security
- System Security
- Adversarial Thinking
- Risk
- Implications

“Guidelines created to encourage curriculum providers, teachers, and industry to create curriculum designed to inspire high school students to pursue a profession in cybersecurity, as well as develop thinkers with a cybersecurity mindset that will enhance any profession they pursue.”¹

Targeted Foundational CAE Knowledge Units

¹<https://cryptologicfoundation.org/what-we-do/educate/high-school-cybersecurity-curriculum-guidelines.html>

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