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ESPORTS COACH WANTED AT CONCORD UNIVERSITY

ATHENS, W.Va. – Concord University is searching for a coach to lead the new varsity eSports team. Esports is competitive, organized video gaming that attracts players and spectators from around the world. Concord will soon give its digitally minded students access to this arena. No other public college or university in West Virginia offers varsity eSports to its students. Concord University will be the first.

University administration made the decision to pursue adding eSports after an overwhelming response to a recent survey indicated 80-percent of respondents showed interest in a program at the school. The gaming arena will likely be housed in the Nick Rahall Technology Center.

The funding to begin the Concord eSports team has been donated. “Not only will starting a varsity eSports team allow more students to compete on the collegiate level, the university hopes to use this as a springboard for future courses,” President Boggess says.

Only seven colleges and universities had varsity eSports programs in July of 2016. By 2018, there were 63 institutions.

Stay connected with Concord through our website and social media accounts for the latest on our new eSports program, and for information on how you can support this and other programs at Concord University. If you are interested in applying for the coaching position, please follow this link: <https://jobs.concord.edu/postings/2363>