

West Michigan Coding (Computer Programming) Pioneer Michael Renner-Lewis and Wife, Elois

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Young Students with West Michigan Coding

Michael Renner-Lewis, “Mr. Mike,” is a Microsoft Certified Professional with more than twenty years of experience as an IT Consultant for numerous companies/corporations, including General Motors, Pfizer, and Sparrow Health Systems Hospital. His drive and passion for computers began when he was a boy and was studying at Woodhouse Grove School in Leeds, England. With the assistance and encouragement of his dad, the late Michael Renner-Lewis, Michael continued to research and explore the field of technology which led him to a career that would open doors for many who would come behind him.

Michael Renner-Lewis is one of the pioneers in introducing underrepresented kids to learn (computer programming) to code. With more than 20 years of experience as an IT Consultant. He has a passion for teaching and empowering young people, especially those from marginalized communities, to pursue their dreams and achieve their potential in the tech field. He is also a mentor, a speaker, and a community leader who has received several awards and recognitions for his

work. If you want to learn more about Michael Renner-Lewis or Milo Coding Academy, you can visit their website or their YouTube channel.

Elois Renner-Lewis, “Ms. Lois”, is a retired teacher from Kalamazoo Public Schools with an MA in Literacy Education (middle school emphasis) and BA in Elementary Education with a major in English Language Arts. Her drive and passion for teaching and learning began when she was a child and her parents, the late Halford and Armentha Rodgers, would construct a make-shift bus in their living room where she and her siblings played “school” and where reading was the main subject.

With over 35 years of experience, Ms. Lois enjoys teaching and mentoring young people as they explore the many choices available to them as adults.

These skills led the couple to utilize a combination of their professional expertise and form **MILO (Mike and Lois) Coding Academy at WMU Computer Science and Engineering Department** which aims to close the gap that