

Robotics Club 2019

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What is Robotics Club?

Robotics Club IS:

- a chance for students of all grade levels and talents to move beyond what they are learning in the classroom.
- presenting students with a problem and then having them set out to create a solution to the problem in the form of a 140lbs robot.
- fun and a learning experience at the same time. Members learn the importance of attention to detail and how group members need to work together.
- a place where everyone is comfortable to share their ideas.
- a chance to earn money for college in the form of scholarships.

Robotics Club is NOT:

- a group of “nerds” doing highly complex math calculations in a dark room.
- a place to fool around after school. It takes A LOT of money to get to competitions and wasting time after school is not cost effective.
- only for those planning on attending college. We need members that know the “right side of a screwdriver” in addition to computer programmers.
- a club where you have to be at every single meeting. You can still participate in sports and help out the club with your ideas!

Kickoff: Saturday, January 5th, 2019

Broadcast begins at 10:30am. This is where to object of the game is revealed!!

Competitions:

March 7-9th @ Kettering University.

We will be leaving by 4pm on the 7th.

*The members that meet the requirements to attend will be staying at Mr. and Mrs. Coon's house. Members will need to bring sleeping bags. Male and female members will be separated. We have done this for the past 3 years with absolutely no problems. We do this to save on cost!!

March 21st - 23rd @ Midland Dow High School

We will be leaving by 4pm on the 21st.

*The members that meet the requirements to attend will be staying in a hotel. Due to cost, the number of members asked to attend may be lower than the Kettering competition. Please be aware of this fact.

What we need to be successful:

Students interested in computers, students able to build things, students that are artistic, students that are interested in marketing, students that think outside of the box, students that want to do more than just sit in a classroom chair...
basically we just need YOU!!

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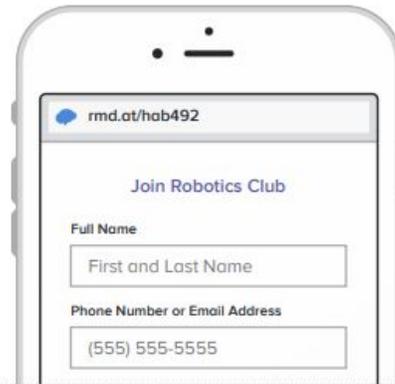
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Important Websites:

www.firstinspires.org First website

<https://www.thebluealliance.com/> You can see our matches here

<https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/youth-team-member-consent-and-release-form>

Consent form. Your parents will get an invitation to fill this out soon. I will send out a remind when the invites go out.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/Labview> Programming website.

<https://www.chiefdelphi.com/forums/portal.php> You can have almost all your questions answered here.

Miscellaneous:

It takes a tremendous amount of money to keep this club going. Each year, we must pay \$5,000 just to enter the competitions. We then spend a few thousand on parts and as mentioned above lodging. We try to cut corners whenever we can so we are asking the parents help in feeding the troops.

In the past, we have had dinners and lunches sent/brought with the members. If one or two families volunteers to help at a meal or two, it helps us tremendously. A typical competition has dinner on Thursday, Breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday, with breakfast and lunch on Saturday. The mentors usually contribute a meal or two from their own wallets as well, but your help would be GREATLY appreciated!!!

If someone would like to act as "team Mom or Dad" in this regard and set up a meal schedule as who is supplying what, Mr. Coon would so very much appreciate that!