

Tiger Robotics Application

Dear 4th and 5th grade students and parents

The Liberty PTO and Tiger Robotics have worked together to bring competitive robotics to your school. We will be starting a brand new robotics league in South Dakota this year and we are looking for new members to fill these teams. We need students with building, programming, research, and/or leadership skills. These students need to work well in groups and handle difficult tasks with a “stick to it” attitude.

We will be starting a VEX IQ league using the 2016 mission CROSSOVER. Check it out at <http://www.vexrobotics.com/vexiq>

To accomplish this we will be taking names and potentially be holding tryouts to fill positions on Two competitive teams. Tryouts will be held if we receive more than 8 applications for individual teams.

Packets are due back to the office by: Friday Sept 9th 2016. Students will complete the following before then.

1. Complete an application including 2 short essay questions.
2. Obtain 1 teacher recommendation on the attached teacher recommendation form. (This recommendation can be placed in a sealed envelope with teacher’s signature across the seal.)
3. Have parents sign and return volunteer agreement.
4. Bring Deposit check for \$250 postdated for May 2, 2017 with the volunteer agreement
5. Bring membership check for \$20 with a current date.

(Both checks will be voided and returned if students does not make the team)

If tryouts are needed students will:

6. Demonstrate skill in a needed area.
7. Complete a team work challenge.

Trying out does not guarantee a spot on the team. We have limited spots available and we are expecting an overwhelming number of applicant’s. Prior experience is helpful but not required.

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Student commitment:

Those who are invited, on a probationary status, to the team will be expected to participate in weekly meetings on Typically Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until the state competition which is in January.(Days of practice could change based on inputs by parent and staff coaches) Teams meet from 3:00 until 4:30 unless coaches choose otherwise.

Parental commitment:

Not only is there a commitment by students, there must also be a commitment from parents or guardians. Parents/Guardians will be asked to help in various ways. They might help out with fundraising, t-shirt design, snacks for meetings, assistant coaches, and tournament volunteers, just to name a few. Parents will complete the volunteer agreement and provide a deposit check. There is also a membership to the Tiger Robotics team. This will be \$20 and helps cover some of the registration costs.

By signing below you are agreeing that you have completely read through this document with your student, and that you and your student understand the responsibilities attached to making the team. You are also agreeing that your student may try out for 1 of the slots available.

Students name printed and signed

Parents Signature and date

If you have questions,

Please feel free to email me at christopher.stewart@k12.sd.us ,

Thanks Chris Stewart

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Tiger Robotics Team Application

Student Name: _____

What role do you see yourself in on the team? (ex builder, programmer, strategy, research, social media, project manager)

Student Shirt Size: _____

Grade: _____ Circle Gender M or F

Mother / Female Guardian Name: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Work Phone Number: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Father / Male Guardian Name: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Work Phone Number: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Work Phone Number: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Teacher asked for Recommendations:

1. _____

Is either parent interested in coaching? If so Who? _____

(Team coaches do not put down deposit checks or volunteer time outside of coaching)

Essay Questions:

1. Explain why you are interested in the robotics team, and what you feel you have to offer the team.

2. Tell us what you would like to learn during your time in robotics.

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Tiger Robotics Volunteer



Agreement 2016-2017 Season

The Tiger Robotics Volunteer Agreement is required of all families that have students in the Tiger Robotics program. Each Family must complete the Tiger Robotics Volunteer Agreement and abide by the volunteer system listed within. The family agrees to earn volunteer points as required by May 2nd or forfeit their deposit.

Each family will be required to log a minimum of ten (10) hours or raise \$1000 in sponsorships or some combination of the two. Every \$100 worth of sponsorships raised will deduct 1 hour off of required hours. All hours served and Sponsorship funds are due by the 2nd of May.

A list of possible volunteer opportunities will be provided and volunteers will be taken on a first come first serve basis. These volunteer hours will be completed by a legal adult from the family or by the students themselves.

I understand that if I do not meet the full requirements of 10 hours, or its equivalent in sponsorship dollars required of our family, I will forfeit my \$250 deposit check. Attached is my deposit check dated May 2, 2017. Families that do not have their volunteer hours meet by May 2nd will have their checks deposited into the team account shortly after May 2nd.

Deposit check amount \$250 Deposit Check # _____

Parent / Guardian Signature _____

Robotics team members name(s) _____

Date: _____

Families volunteer hours will be tracked by Team Coaches or someone appointed by them. After completion of any eligible task members will email team coaches with time, date, and hours served by family. Questions regarding this agreement can be forwarded to Mr. Stewart.

Christopher.stewart@k12.sd.us. Any grievance or dispute about this agreement will be decided upon collectively by the team coaches and their decision will be final.

When your family fulfills the required 10 volunteer hours or its equivalent in sponsorships,

please check one:

Please shred our deposit check Please return our check to our mailing address provided below.

Address:

Other:

Our family is exempt and fulfills Volunteer Hours as a team coach. Deposit check not required. This option has to be authorized by Mr. Stewart before a parent can coach.

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Possible Volunteer opportunities this year. This list is not exclusive and will grow. Most volunteer opportunities will be signed up for through volunteer spot. The system we used to sign up tournament volunteers last year.

Volunteer opportunities

Tiger Nation meeting: 2 families each month You must sign in as a parent representative for Tiger Robotics.

Work at a tiger nation event

Go to a PAWS or PTO meeting and keep us informed of anything that might interest our team.

Work at a PAWS or PTO event.

Work at a concession stand run by Tiger Robotics

Work at a Tiger Robotics Tournament

Raise sponsorship money for the team. Every \$100 raised will count towards one hours requirements

Coach a robotics team at least one day a week. This will fulfill all volunteer requirements.

Volunteer administrative skills to help organize events ex. fundraising forms and letters.

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Teacher Recommendation #1

This recommendation goes to the teacher, who will either, seal it in an envelope and sign the seal then return to student, or interoffice mail it to Chris Stewart at South Middle School.

Student Name (first and last):

Teacher Name:

Please rate the student on the following, with 1 meaning not so good, and 5 meaning great.

Responsibility	1	2	3	4	5
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Ability to work with others	1	2	3	4	5
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Creativity	1	2	3	4	5
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Dedication	1	2	3	4	5
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Do you feel that this student would benefit from the robotics program?

Is there anything you would like us to know about this student?

Signature: _____

Please seal recommendation in an envelope and sign across the seal then return to student.

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