

2021-2022 SPS ROBOTICS INFORMATION SHEET

- Open to students in **Grades 5-8**
- Students will be grouped into **Teams of 3 or 4 students** each.
- Coaches are needed for each of these small teams! Please consider becoming a coach/co-coach if your child is interested in robotics! It is helpful but not necessary for coaches to have engineering/mechanical/technical background.
- **Practice days and times depend on coach availability.** Some coaches are available in the afternoon, so they hold practices right after school. Other coaches are not available until after work, so they hold practices in the evening.
- Practices location is in the Church Hall and/or in the school.
- Competitions are on Saturdays at other schools in the area. Each team selects the competitions that work for them. If a team's robot is competition-ready and the coach and students are available, they can sign up to compete. The events start early and normally finish in early afternoon.
- The season will begin in the next few weeks (as soon as we can finalize the roster and confirm that we have enough coaches) and runs through early spring. Winning teams have the potential to advance to state and national competitions.
- A fee will be charged (TBD), similar to those for sports teams.
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