



**FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) Sponsorship Program**

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FIRST Robotics Competition teams have 10+ student members in high school grades. FRC teams are challenged to design, build, program, and operate robots to compete in a head-to-head challenge in an alliance format. Sponsorship request forms are due annually by October 15<sup>th</sup> for the next competition season.

**Existing Team Sponsorship:** Public high schools in the MBC service area with an existing FRC team are eligible for annual sponsorship from MBC. Each team receives \$6,000 a year to cover the costs of team registration, entry for two events and the kit of parts. Requirements for existing team sponsorship include:

- Funding provided by this grant must be used in its entirety to develop the FRC team at the location specified
- School division must sign memorandum of understanding to agree to fund and otherwise continue to support the FRC team for a minimum of 2 full years/seasons
- Team must participate in at least one tournament during each FRC season
- Team must complete a survey provided by the SVRTC after build season and competitions

**New Team Sponsorship:** Public high schools in the MBC service area wanting to start a new (“rookie”) FRC team are eligible in their first year to receive the \$6,000 annual sponsorship plus up to \$4,000 in additional funds as a dollar-to-dollar match for their fundraising efforts. Requirements for new team sponsorship include:

- School must not have had an FRC team during the year prior to receiving this grant
- Funding provided by this grant must be used in its entirety to create and develop a new FRC team at the location specified
- School division must sign memorandum of understanding to agree to fund and otherwise continue to support the new FRC team for a minimum of 2 full years/seasons
- New team must participate in at least one tournament during each FRC season
- Team must complete a survey provided by the SVRTC after build season and competitions

For guidance on creating a new FRC team, please visit <http://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc/start-a-team>

**SPONSORSHIP REQUEST**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST Team Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ City/County: \_\_\_\_\_

Existing Team     New Team    Year Established: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Students: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Mentors: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Mentor 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Sponsorship Payable To: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Website or Facebook Page: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the team for which I am requesting this sponsorship meets the requirements defined above.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return Sponsorship Request and Memorandum of Understanding to MBC by October 15th (scan/email to [liz.smith@mbc-va.com](mailto:liz.smith@mbc-va.com) or fax 1-434-572-2357)

For more information, visit [www.sovar.svrtc.org](http://www.sovar.svrtc.org).