

Code of Conduct

Jenison Robotics is an after-school club organization. The goal is to have fun. As a participant in Jenison Robotics each student is expected to adhere to the code of conduct.

School Attendance Expectations: Education comes first. Students are expected to attend school and complete their homework and assignments.

Practice/Competition Attendance: Practices are where the robots are designed, built, programmed and modified. VEX VRC and VEX IQ are team competitions. It is important that the team is together at practices. Students are expected to attend practice 2 nights per week on the nights their team have scheduled practices.

Some absences are to be expected, but those who do not attend 75% of scheduled practice time throughout the season will not be allowed to attend any advanced competition. If you are not able to attend, students or their parent/guardian/responsible adult are expected to notify the coach of the absence.

Behavior Expectations: Members of Jenison Robotics will conduct themselves as dignified young people, making responsible choices that reflect positively on our program and Jenison Public Schools.

- Members will treat each other, staff members, officials and parent volunteers with courtesy and respect.
- Jenison Robotics strictly enforces a No Bullying policy. Bullying includes gossip, back talk, arguing, physical confrontation, hazing, taunting and mocking. Members must realize that no problem has only one solution, and that a successful team is one which cooperates by considering EVERYONE'S solution and ideas. Do not criticize anyone's ideas.
- The use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs by students is illegal and will NOT be tolerated in Jenison Robotics. Actions and choices which bring discredit to the student, parents, program, or Jenison Public Schools WILL have consequences, up to and including expulsion from Jenison Robotics.
- The intentional destruction of Jenison Robotics property including robots, parts and fields, will not be tolerated. If a student intentionally damages equipment, the parents will be held responsible for the cost of replacement.
- Jenison Robotics also has a no cell phone policy during team practices and competitions. Students will be asked to keep all personal electronic devices out of sight during scheduled activities.

Parent Expectations: When attending Jenison Robotics practices and events, Parents, siblings, family members and other guests are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and respect.

- Remember that Jenison Robotics is a volunteer organization. Avoid criticizing, negative, or disparaging comments about any player, coach, or official.
- Support and encourage your child in a positive way. A big part of Robotics is learning and adapting.
- In the proper spirit of Jenison Robotics, do not interfere with the team's solutions. All creations, inventions, ideas, **must** come from the team members.
- Please make sure that you or your student have communicated with the coach or team if your child will miss a practice or competition. Understand that your child has a commitment to his/her team.

I have read the Code of Conduct and discussed it with my child. We understand the expectations as participants in Jenison Robotics. By signing below you grant Jenison Robotics to use photographs and/or videos of your child in publications, news releases, online social media, or any other form of communications that are related to the Jenison Robotics program.

Student Name (please print): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____