



## Application Detail

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| Application ID    | 1982588                                                                                 |
| Submitted         | Oct 3, 2025                                                                             |
| Status            | Awaiting review                                                                         |
| Applicant(s)      | Anita Tope (atope@ccsd1schools.net)                                                     |
| Organization      | ROZET ELEMENTARY<br>560147000073<br>P.O. Box 200, Rozet, WY, 82727, US<br>(307)682-3133 |
| Program and cycle | VEX IQ Robotics Competition (VIQRC)<br>VIQRC 25/26 Season Survey                        |
| Tags              | No tags                                                                                 |
| Forms             | <a href="#">VIQRC Grant Application</a>                                                 |

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## Before You Begin

According to the [REC Foundation's Youth Protection Policy requirements](#), it is required that the Primary Coach be the Primary Contact in respect to this grant request.

This grant requires and applicant authorized to enter into contractual agreements with the REC Foundation. If the Primary Coach is not authorized to enter into contractual agreements, you must use the "Manage Applicants" option to add an authorized individual as a co-applicant. Organization or District Managers applying on behalf of your school must ensure that a Primary Coach is identified before submitting this application.

If you have any questions, please email [grants@recf.org](mailto:grants@recf.org) and a Grant Manager will be able to assist you.

To best ensure communications are received, add [mail@grantapplication.com](mailto:mail@grantapplication.com) and [noreply@yourcause.com](mailto:noreply@yourcause.com) to your email's safe sender list. If you have not received a confirmation email, be sure to check your spam folder.

### **RobotEvents.com Requirements:**

Prior to application approval, applicants must:

1. Have a verified account on [www.RobotEvents.com](http://www.RobotEvents.com).

The Primary Coach must also:

1. Have a **Completed Background Check**.
  - a. Log into your account at [www.RobotEvents.com](http://www.RobotEvents.com).
  - b. Click "My Account" in the top-right corner.
  - c. In the left-hand navigation menu, check your Background Check status:
    - i. Green check mark – Your background check is approved.
    - ii. Red icon – Click the button to begin the background check process and follow the instructions provided.
      - i. An approved background check is required before your application can be approved.
2. Have **teams set up in RobotEvents**.
  - a. In "My Account" either click the "Add new teams" or "Renew teams" button.
  - b. If you need to purchase products during the grants review process:

- i. Contact your Grant Support Manager (GSM) for guidance—especially if you’re unsure how to proceed.
- ii. Your teams must be placed on an **UNPAID** invoice in order to be covered by grant funds.
  - i. Go through the check out process as you normally would. When you get to the Payment Screen, choose **Pay Later**, and complete check out. This will generate an **unpaid** invoice for the Grant Support Manager to pay with grants funds.
  - ii. Do not pay or put in PO status. Paying or putting the invoice in PO status will void any grants with team registrations. We are unable to reimburse team registrations.

For grant purposes, the **Primary Coach** must be the **Primary Contact** on the grant application.

If you are an Organizational Contact ( i.e. Principal, CTE Coordinator, Non-Profit Manager, etc.) and have not identified a Primary Coach, please wait to submit this application until that person can be added as a co-applicant.

The Primary Coach must:

1. Be 18 years of age or older.
2. Have a valid [RobotEvents.com](https://www.robotevents.com) account.
  - a. Email address must be verified.
  - b. Complete and pass a background check.
  - c. Set up teams for the current season and maintain an unpaid status during the grant request process.
3. Confirm the [RobotEvents.com](https://www.robotevents.com) account shipping address **MATCHES** the school/organization address on the grant application.

The Authorized Individual:

1. Have authority to sign all terms and conditons.
2. Ensure that all terms and conditions are met in a timely manner throughout the season.
3. Provide additional documentation for grant approval and reporting requirements.
4. If the Authorized Individual is different from the Primary Coach, the Organizational Contact must also:
  - a. Have a valid [RobotEvents.com](https://www.robotevents.com) account.
  - b. Confirm that the Primary Coach has entered the correct shipping address in their [RobotEvents.com](https://www.robotevents.com) account.
  - c. Provide the Primary Coach with a list of grant-related requirements to be completed by the teams(s) to satisfy the terms of the grants provided.

**This is the "Primary Coach" of the team, and is responsible for maintaining the accuracy of all contacts and account attributes.**

Please provide a mobile number that we can reach you during non-contract hours. Due to a high volume of request, If we are unable to establish communications within 5 business days, the grant request will be removed from the queue.

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| <b>First name:</b>                                                                                         | Anita                      |
| <b>Last name:</b>                                                                                          | Tope                       |
| <b>Business Email<br/>Must be the same<br/>email address used<br/>to register for<br/>RobotEvents.com:</b> | atope@ccsd1schools.<br>net |
| <b>Office telephone:</b>                                                                                   | 307-682-3133               |
| <b>Office extension:</b>                                                                                   | 224                        |
| <b>Mobile telephone:</b>                                                                                   | 3072571973                 |

## Referral Questions

**Have you already spoken to a Grant Support Manager?\***

No

**How did you hear about our Grants?\***

Found on REC Website

## Team Information

### School/Organization Information

**Full Name of the Organization or Campus Name\***

Please enter the complete official name of your organization or campus.Example: Instead of "Carver Magnet," enter "George Washington Carver Magnet School".

Rozet Elementary

**Which best describes the type of organization for which you are requesting assistance?\***

Public School

**Organization's physical street address\***

14054 WY-51, Rozet, WY 82727, USA

The [Team's Organizational/Administrative/District Contact](#) is added when there is a centralized person who helps manage multiple teams or schools/organizations. This person does not serve as Primary Coach but is used as a secondary contact. This person should be the Campus Administrator, districts STEM Coordinator, or non-profit manager. If you, the Primary Coach, are not authorized to sign terms in conditions, this should be the person with authority and should be added as a co-applicant to this request.

**Primary Coach is Authorized to sign\***

If yes, the Primary Coach must be the applicant or co-applicant of this application.

yes

**Student Enrollment\***

Please provide total student enrollment for your organization.

224

**How many students do you anticipate participating in your competitive program?\***

24

**What age group do your anticipated students fall in?\***

Choose a range that represents your oldest possible participant. If unsure, choose the range that fits your student population.

Elementary School

## Competition History

The following questions are to help us determine the experience the Primary Coach and the organization have with VEX Robotics.

**Is this the first year your school/organization has registered VIQRC teams in RobotEvents.com?\***

No

**Please list your organization's team base number.\***

This is the number shared by all teams within your organization (e.g., 123A, 123B, 123C = base number 123).

82721

**How many years of experience does the Primary Coach have with VEX Robotics? \*\***

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**How many years of experience does the Primary Coach have with other competitive robotics programs? \***

0

## Request

## REC Foundation Annual Team Registration Request

The following questions do not guarantee that season team registrations will be granted by the REC Foundation. However, registrations may be offered if available and if your school or organization meets the sponsor's eligibility criteria.

### How many NEW teams are you requesting season registration assistance for through the REC Foundation?\*

If you are a returning organization requesting assistance to add new teams, please be aware that all existing (returning) teams must be registered and paid for the current season, with the intent to participate in at least one official tournament listed on RobotEvents.com. Returning team registrations may be covered by a grant (if awarded) or paid for by the organization, but tournament participation is required for all registered teams during the season.

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### How many RETURNING teams are you requesting season registration assistance for through the REC Foundation? \*

Returning teams are defined as those who have participated in a VEX Robotics Competition within the past three years. If you are not requesting assistance for any returning teams, please enter 0. Please note: Any team receiving REC Foundation annual assistance must participate in at least one official tournament listed on RobotEvents.com during the current season.

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**New Teams Without Equipment Requests:** If you are requesting registration assistance for new teams but not requesting equipment, you must verify that each team has access to dedicated competition equipment.

## Equipment Request

Robot kits are granted, when available, only to new teams without any prior competition history. If you are a returning organization looking to start new teams, all existing (returning) teams must be registered and paid for the current season before new teams can be considered for robot kit awards.

The REC Foundation has previously received funding to offer replacement equipment options for returning teams.

If funding becomes available and your organization qualifies, your Grant Support Manager will contact you with details regarding eligibility and next steps.

The following questions are designed to help us better understand your program's needs so we can provide support where possible. These questions do not guarantee grant availability for the items listed. However, your responses will be recorded by our Grant Support Managers, and if additional funding becomes available, we may contact you to confirm whether these items are still needed.

### I understand that accepting a REC Foundation equipment grant requires participation in two consecutive seasons. \*

By selecting "Yes," you acknowledge that if awarded a REC Foundation equipment grant, you are committing to registering the granted team(s) for two consecutive seasons. For example, a team awarded for the 2025-2026 season must compete in at least one official event listed on RobotEvents.com during that season. The same team number must also be registered for the 2026-2027 season and participate in at least one tournament during that season as well.

Yes

### How many new teams are you requesting robot kit assistance for?\*

By answering this question, you certify that the requested teams do not have robot kits available to them. If you are not starting new teams, please answer 0.

0

### Game Elements Needed\*

By selecting "Yes," you certify that your organization does not currently have access to this season's game elements, and that the requested items will be used by your team(s) during the current season. This application is intended for teams only. If you are an Event Partner needing assistance, please complete the Event Partner application, if available.

No

### Competition Full Field and Tiles Needed\*

By selecting "Yes," you certify that your organization does not currently have access to an official competition field and tiles. This request is for the competition field only and does not include the current season's game elements. This application is intended for teams only. If you are an Event Partner seeking assistance, please complete the Event Partner grant request, if available.

No

### Specific Grants you wish to apply for.

If you would like to be considered for all available VRC grants, please leave this field blank. If you prefer to be reviewed for specific grants only, list them below. You can find available grants at [www.RobotEvents.com/grants](http://www.RobotEvents.com/grants) by clicking on the "Details" link under each VRC grant listing. Note: Unless otherwise specified, the Grant Team will automatically evaluate your application for all VRC grants for which you may qualify.

No answer

## Expectations

**Grant packages and requirements vary by funder and are subject to change. Because of this, it is important that organizations plan ahead and develop long-term sustainability strategies to support their teams beyond the current grant cycle.**

### Do you agree to have the Primary Contact enroll in the REC Foundation Coach Academy?\*

The REC Foundation Coach Academy is a free resource designed to support new coaches by providing essential tools, guidance, and best practices to help teams succeed throughout the season. While experienced coaches starting new teams are not expected to complete all modules, there are a few mandatory assignments required for grant recipients. These include:

1. Submitting a photo of your REC Foundation Coach Certificate.
2. Submitting photos of your teams at an event.
3. Completing a thank-you product for your funders, such as a Google Slide deck with team photos and a season overview.

Yes

### Organization agrees to share organization and contact information with the sponsor if required.\*

We have a few funders that have requested that we share organization and primary contact information with them. If you do not agree to these terms, then you understand that you will not be reviewed for grants from those sponsors, but still be reviewed for grants that contact information is not a requirement. If you are unsure, choose yes to be reviewed for all grants. You are always free to decline the grant once you get the full terms and conditions.

Yes

### Request Funder Acknowledgement\*

Some funders would appreciate acknowledgment of their company's support through various media and marketing outlets (labeling pictures in social media with approved hashtags, naming funders in interviews). Media kits will be provided to the teams that are granted awards from those specific funders.

My organization has no problems allowing us to acknowledge funders through various media outlets

**How do you plan to fund your team for the 2025/2026 season if REC Foundation grant assistance is not available?** \*

In 300 words or less, please describe the steps your organization will take this year to prepare for covering your team's expenses without grant support. Examples include REC Foundation team registration, event registrations, and additional parts or supplies you anticipate needing.

When we launched the VIQRC program at our school in the fall of 2023, we had rollover funds available that we were able to use to purchase kits and field components to get the program started. This year, due to changes in our funding, the funds our principal had hoped to use to fund our registration were allocated differently and we do not have the funding readily available to cover team registrations. At the same time, interest in robotics has grown, especially after one of our teams earned the opportunity to attend the 2025 VEX World Championships last spring.

Receiving a grant to cover team registration fees would be an immense help to allow all interested students to participate in robotics competitions. In the event that we do not receive a grant we will ask students to help with fundraisers to earn money to cover their costs, we will seek donations from businesses within the county, and we may need to limit the number of teams that can participate in competitions at off-campus VIQRC events, while still providing meaningful robotics experiences at the school level.

As a Title I school, we are mindful of the financial challenges many of our families face. Our goal is to continue building a strong robotics program without creating an undue burden on them. We are committed to being resourceful and creative in our approach to securing funding so that robotics remains accessible to as many students as possible.

*Anita L Tope*

Signed by Anita Tope on Oct 3, 2025