FIRST Lego League Robotics Club Season Commitment Contract

Theme: Biodiversity – Keeping Our Planet Healthy

From the tiniest insects to towering trees, we celebrate the complexity and interdependence of life in the rainforest.

Introduction & Purpose:

Welcome to the 2026–2027 season! This contract outlines the mutual expectations between the student member, the parent/guardian, and the club coaches. Robotics is a challenging, collaborative, and deeply educational experience. By signing this agreement, all parties commit to upholding the highest standards of academic rigor, sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and commitment to our team and the spirit of competition.

Coaches: Sylvia Traxler and Michele Matthews

CORE CLUB COMMITMENTS & EXPECTATIONS

Attendance and Dedication: The core pillar of our success is consistent dedication. Students committing to this contract must maintain high levels of participation during the FIRST robotics season.

Mandatory Dates: Attendance is strictly required for all scheduled Scrimmages and Qualifying Competitions. See the attached schedule of events.

Preparedness: Students are expected to arrive at all meetings and events prepared, having completed assigned preliminary work (homework) and bringing necessary tools or research materials.

Commitment to Learning: Our club goal is not simply to build a robot, but to become resourceful, ethical engineers and problem-solvers. We commit to a mindset of continuous improvement, failure analysis, and celebration of the process.

Upholding Professional Conduct: All students are expected to treat teammates, opponents, mentors, and facility staff with respect at all times. Academic honesty, integrity in engineering design, and responsible use of equipment are non-negotiable.

The Principle of Synergy: Teamwork requires every member to contribute positively, acknowledging that success is collective. Criticism must be constructive.

Addressing Conflict: Disagreements will be handled through structured conversation with the direct involvement of team leadership or the supervising coach. We resolve conflicts through discussion, not confrontation.

The Importance of Resilience: Failure is not an endpoint; it is essential data. We commit to analyzing setbacks objectively, extracting maximum learning, and iterating better solutions until the goal is met.

OUR CORE VALUES

We pledge to operate by the following principles, which reflect the spirit of innovation and collaboration:

- Teamwork: We are stronger when we work together.
- Inclusion: We respect each other and embrace our differences.
- Discovery: We explore new skills and ideas.
- Impact: We apply what we learn to improve our world.
- Innovation: We use creativity and persistence to solve problems.
- Fun: We enjoy and celebrate what we do!

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SIGNATURES

Student Pledge: I understand and agree to abide by all club commitments and expectations outlined in this contract. I commit to contributing positively to the team culture, regardless of personal challenges.

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment: I have reviewed this contract and understand the expectations placed upon my student regarding commitment, conduct, and participation during club activities.

Student Signature | **Date**

Parent/Guardian Signature | **Date**