

Montgomery BEST 2019

Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology for the River Region



What is BEST?

Boosting Engineering, Science, and Technology (BEST) is a middle and high school robotics competition whose mission is to engage students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) disciplines and inspire them to pursue STEM careers. Students work in a real-world engineering environment to design, build, and test a robot while running their own "company." Participants in BEST commit to an intensive six-week program where students compete with their robot, give presentations, build a team exhibit, and document their process in an engineering notebook. BEST teams are given all the materials they can use and need to build their robot. Students competing in the BEST program have a sense of pride in their accomplishments and at the same time have a lot of fun. More importantly students learn a great deal about engineering, problem solving, leadership, teamwork, public speaking, and working effectively with others.



About Montgomery BEST

Since 2001, Auburn University has sponsored the War Eagle BEST robotics competition. After

18 years, they are focusing on additional STEM outreach programs and will no longer be able to sponsor the local hub. They will continue to sponsor the regional South's BEST competition which encompasses the entire southeast and takes place in early December. MGM BEST is the answer to the loss of War Eagle BEST. A committee of Montgomery area teachers and tech enthusiasts is diligently working to make the inaugural year of MGM BEST a success. Our goal is to prepare students for the high-tech world they will enter in a few short years. BEST robotics has played and will continue to play a big part in that preparation.



In early September, up to 24 teams from the River Region and surrounding area will begin the six-week process to design and build a robot for the 2019 competition, "Off the Grid." The teams will receive their materials, objectives, and rules for the competition and then have six weeks to complete their robot and market it. That's six weeks of brainstorming, designing, building, test driving, and many late nights. On October 18th and 19th, the teams will meet to compete head to head as they test and demonstrate their robots and are evaluated by judges. To see the teaser for the 2019 competition, visit:

<http://bestinc.org/>



Sponsor MGM BEST

Generous sponsors are needed to provide the opportunity for River Region students to participate in this life changing robotics program. Since the robot portion of the program is free to schools, the hub requires monetary support in order to provide the kits from which the teams will build their robot, as well as to provide the playing field and support resources which will ensure a successful game day. Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution. Your sponsorship is an investment in the education and future of tomorrow's leaders. Donations in any amount help with the following levels receiving the below premiums:

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| Friend Level | \$100 |
| • Recognition on Competition Website | |
| Bronze Level | \$1000 |
| • Friend Level Benefits +: | |
| • Name listed in program | |
| • Game day hospitality access pass | |
| Silver Level | \$2500 |
| • Bronze Level Benefits +: | |
| • Logo on Game Field | |
| Gold Level | \$5000 |
| • Silver Level Benefits +: | |
| • Exhibit Space | |
| • Name on an Award | |
| • Logo on T-Shirt | |
| Platinum Level | \$10,000 |
| • Gold Level Benefits +: | |
| • Recognition adjustments to reflect the distinction | |
| • Logo on Large Banner | |

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2019 Sponsorship Form

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