2026-2027 Sponsorship Packet

MEET CATEGORY 5

FOUNDING

TEAM 3489, CATEGORY 5, IS A HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL FIRST ROBOTICS TEAM ESTABLISHED IN 2010. CATEGORY 5 IS A COMMUNITY TEAM THAT HAS STUDENTS FROM OVER 4 HIGH SCHOOLS AND HOMESCHOOL COMMUNITIES. THE TEAM HAS A STRONG COMMUNITY PRESENCE WITH OVER 7,700 VOLUNTEER HOURS AND COUNTING

MISSION & VISION STATEMENT

CATEGORY HAS A MISSION TO INSPIRE YOUNGER GENERATIONS BY GROWING STEM THROUGH INNOVATIVE METHODS WHILE PROMOTING EQUALITY, DIVERSITY INCLUSION AND GRACIOUS PROFESSIONALISM THROUGHOUT THE LOWCOUNTRY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

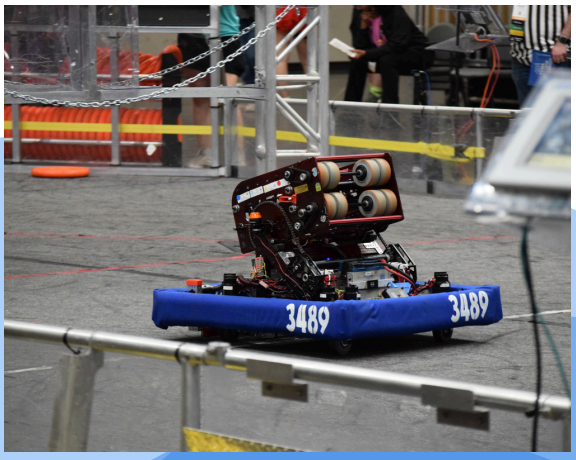
CATEGORY 5, TEAM 3489, WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2010 WITH A SERIES OF OBJECTIVES IN MIND, BUT JUST AS A HURRICANE GROWS IN STRENGTH, WE, AS A TEAM, GROW STRONGER, AND SO MUST OUR TEAM'S REACH. THROUGH MENTOR GUIDANCE, OUR STUDENT LEADS ARE ABLE TO INCREASE THE TEAM'S REACH AND INFLUENCE BY CONNECTING ACROSS ALL FIRST® PROGRAMS, THROUGH MORE THAN JUST OUTREACH. WATCH OUT FOR CATEGORY 5, WE'RE THE WINDS OF CHANGE, READY TO BLOW YOU OFF YOUR FEET!!



ACHIEVEMENT TIMELINE







- IMPACT AWARD - 2023-2026
- ENGINEERING INSPIRATION AWARD 2022
- FIRST DEAN'S FINALIST STUDENT AWARD 2022, 2023 AND 2024
- CHAIRMAN'S AWARD 2021
- JUDGES' AWARD 2020
- INDUSTRIAL DESIGN AWARD BY GENERAL MOTORS 2013 & 2019
- EXCELLENCE IN ENGINEERING AWARD BY DELPHI - 2017-18
- CREATIVITY AWARD BY XEROX - 2018
- IMAGERY AWARD IN HONOR OF JACK KAMEN - 2014 & 2017
- TEAM SPIRIT AWARD BY CFA FOUNDATION 2016
- INNOVATION IN CONTROL AWARD BY ROCKWELL AUTOMATION 2015
- QUALITY AWARD SPONSORED BY MOTOROLA 2014
- GRACIOUS PROFESSIONALISM AWARD SPONSORED BY JOHNSON & JOHNSON 2013
- ROOKIE INSPIRATION AWARD 2011
- ADVANCED TO FRC CHAMPIONSHIP 2013, 2017, 2018, 2022, 2023, 2024

INITIATIVES AND GOALS

EVENTS

MARCH 5TH-7TH: NORTH CHARLESTON, SC

APRIL 1ST-3RD: SUMTER, SC

APRIL 8TH-10TH: ANDERSON, SC **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP - APRIL 29TH-MAY 2ND, - HOUSTON, TX



OUTREACH

WE CURRENTLY HAVE OVER 7,700 HOURS AND HAVE IMPACTED OVER 270,000 PEOPLE. OUTREACH IS ONE OF THE TOP PRIORITIES OF CATEGORY 5, AND WE ALWAYS MAKE A CONSCIOUS EFFORT TO IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY IMPACT.

GOALS

WE AIM TO MAKE ROBOTICS MORE ACCESSIBLE AS A MULTIPLE SCHOOL-BASED TEAM. , ENABLING STUDENTS FROM DIVERSE EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUNDS TO PARTICIPATE IN ROBOTICS AND STEM OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THEIR OWN SCHOOL COMMUNITIES.





FRC 10367: STORM SURGE

OUR NEW ROOKIE TEAM, STORM SURGE, WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE NEW MEMBERS WITH HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE IN THE TECHNIQUES AND SKILLS UTILIZED THROUGHOUT THE SEASON, HELPING THEM BUILD RELEVANT, WORK-BASED COMPETENCIES.

CURRENT ESTIMATED BUDGET

EXPENSE	ESTIMATED COST
MATERIALS	$18,000
TRAVEL*	$40,000
REGISTRATION FEES	$21,000
OVERHEAD (WEBSITE, INSURANCE)	$3,000
TOTAL	$82,000

IF WE MAKE WORLD CHAMPS, ADD AN ADDITIONAL $52,500 TO THE BUDGET

43 STUDENTS AND 6 MENTORS FOR 2 FRC TEAMS

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

THE CATEGORY 5 ROBOTICS TEAM DEPENDS ON THE GENEROSITY OF OUR SPONSORS IN ODER TO SUCCEED. WITH YOUR HELP WE WILL BE ABLE TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS FOR THE NATIONAL COMPITION FROM APRIL 29TH-MAY 2ND IN 2027.

OUR SPONSORS ARE RECOGNIZED IN A MULTITUDE OF WAYS SUCH AS BEING DISPLAYED AT OUTREACH EVENTS, INVITATIONS TO TEAM DINNERS, BEING ANNOUNCED AT COMPETIONS, ETC. DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT THAT IS DONATED.

TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS CAN BE MADE ONLINE OR CHECKS

CHECKS:

MAKE OUT TO YOUNG SCIENTIST OF SOUTH CAROLINA

MEMO: FRC 3489 ROBOTICS

MAIL: **180 SHADY OAK LANE WALTERBORO, SC 29488**

ONLINE:

WEBSITE: YOSC LINK

	TROPICAL STORM $100	CATEGORY 1 $250	CATEGORY 2 $500	CATEGORY 3 $1,000	CATEGORY 4 $2,500	CATEGORY 5 $5,000 +
RECOGNITION ON WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
INVITATION TO ROBOT REVEAL		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RECOGNITION ON PIT DISPLAY			✓	✓	✓	✓
SMALL LOGO ON T-SHIRT				✓	✓	✓
INVITATION TO END OF SEASON DINNER				✓	✓	✓
LARGE LOGO ON T-SHIRT					✓	✓
LOGO ON ROBOT					✓	✓
ANNOUNCED AT EVENTS						✓

SPONSOR BENEFITS

CATEGORY 5 Robotics

CONTACT AND SPONSOR INFORMATION

SPONSOR INFORMATION

BUSINESS NAME: _____

CONTACT PERSON:_____

BUSINESS ADDRESS:_____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

BUSINESS WEBSITE: _____

DONATION TO STUDENT

STUDENT NAME: _____

AMOUNT DONATED: $_____ CHECK#_____ CASH _____

IN-KIND/MATERIAL DONATION: _____

VALUE:_____