



BotTanks

FIRST Tech Challenge Team #23979

Your BotTanks FIRST Tech Challenge robotics team needs your help!

We would greatly appreciate your support for our highly competitive robotics team which competes in the *FIRST* Tech Challenge (FTC). *FIRST* Tech Challenge is a global competition with over 70,000 passionate participants, and it plays a pivotal role in nurturing the future of engineering and technology. You can find out more at FIRSTinspires.org.

BotTanks is composed of nine enthusiastic students ranging from grades 8 to 12. We are a diverse mix of both experienced members and rookies who are new to *FIRST*. Over the past six years, many of our members have been actively engaged in *FIRST* programs, where they have honed their skills and dedication, resulting in numerous regional, state, and international accolades. Most notably, our team achieved an impressive 3rd place in the world as part of *FIRST* LEGO League, showcasing the level of excellence we aspire to maintain in *FIRST* Tech Challenge.

As a newly established *FIRST* Tech Challenge team, we confront the task of procuring the essential equipment and resources required to sustain our competitive edge and continue competing at the highest levels. This is where your support can make an immense difference to our continued success.

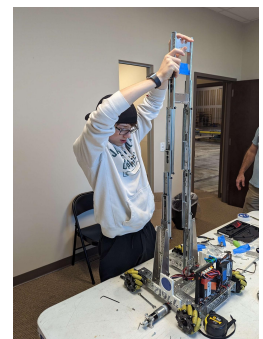
FIRST Tech Challenge has a profound impact on our students, providing them with a unique platform to develop critical skills, such as teamwork, problem-solving, and innovation. These experiences not only prepare them for future careers in engineering and technology but also empower them to be creative thinkers and leaders in any field they choose to pursue.

Here are some compelling metrics that demonstrate the impact of *FIRST* programs:

Inspiring Future Engineers: Over 90% of *FIRST* participants express an increased interest in pursuing STEM-related careers.

Building Tomorrow's Workforce: More than 75% of *FIRST* alumni currently work or study in STEM fields, helping to address the growing demand for skilled professionals in these areas.

Diversity and Inclusion: *FIRST* actively promotes diversity, with a commitment to reaching underserved communities and fostering inclusivity among participants.



BotTanks over the years

BotTanks is a part of the Tampa Bay Technology Alliance, a registered 501(c)(3) organization, which means your support comes with the added benefit of potential tax deductions. We believe that by supporting our team, you are investing not only in our future but also in the future of engineering and technology. Together, we can build a brighter, more innovative tomorrow.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me at michael.merino@icloud.com or 941-705-8679. We would be thrilled to provide more information or arrange a meeting at your convenience.

Thank you for considering our request. Your support means the world to us and to the young minds who aspire to shape the future through technology and innovation.

Graciously Sent,

Michael Merino

FIRST member since 2017

Other Relevant Information

Accepted and greatly appreciated in kind donations are as follows:

- 1/8" 6061 Aluminum Stock
- Aluminum Spacers
- Aluminum Standoffs
- 3d Printer Filament
- Polycarbonate Stock
- Electric screwdrivers, drills & bits
- Assortment of allen wrenches, t-handle, drivers for screws
- Assortment of Nut, Wrenches, sockets & drivers for nuts
- Metal drills and filers
- High temp heat gun
- Wire cutters, crimpers and strippers
- Bench band saw w/ 14 tpi blade
- Metal hacksaw
- Stackable Tool Box
- 8 Bin Parts Box
- ANSI-approved safety glasses

High Level Funding Allocation

Team Registration	\$295	Annual
Game Set	\$495	Annual
Robot Components	\$625	Annual
Sensors	\$350	Annual
Spirit Gear	\$500	Annual
Aluminum	\$300	Annual
3D Filament	\$100	Annual
Polycarbonate	\$100	Annual
Tournaments	\$400	Annual
REV Control Driver Hub	\$275	One Time
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REV Control Hub	\$295	One Time
REV Expansion Hub	\$250	One Time
FTC Field Perimeter	\$700	One Time
FTC Tiles	\$360	One Time
Odometry Pods	\$225	One Time
FTC Starter Kit	\$600	One Time
Strafer Chassis	\$547	One Time
Tools	\$500	One Time
TOTAL NEED	\$7192	

Seeking mentors for the following:

Mechanical Physics
Mechanical Engineering
Hardware Programming in Java utilizing TensorFlow

BotTanks Sponsorship Levels 2023-2024

Platinum \$1,500

- Premium-sized business logo with premium placement on robot (viewed across the world)
- Premium-sized business logo with premium placement on team shirt
- Premium-sized business logo with premium placement on sponsor webpage
- Premium-sized business logo with premium placement on sponsor banner
- Framed team picture
- Electronic copy of team picture
- Letter of appreciation
- 2 Team Shirts

Gold \$1,000

- Large-sized business logo with upgraded placement on team shirt
- Large-sized business logo with upgraded placement on sponsor webpage
- Large-sized business logo with upgraded placement on sponsor banner
- Framed team picture
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Silver \$500

- Medium-sized business logo on team shirt
- Medium-sized business logo on sponsor webpage
- Medium-sized business logo on sponsor banner
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Bronze \$250

- Small-sized business logo on sponsor webpage
- Small-sized business logo on sponsor banner
- Framed team picture
- Electronic copy of team picture
- Letter of appreciation

BotTanks Sponsorship Form 2023-2024

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NOTING BOTTANKS IN MEMO**

NAME: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA: _____

SPONSOR LEVEL: _____

One of our students would love to personally thank you and collect your donation anywhere between Venice and St. Pete, Florida. All other donations can be mailed to:

Treasurer: Jennifer Kowski
TBTA Treasurer
106 Tanglewood Ct
Safety Harbor, FL 34695

Sponsorship can also be completed online at: <https://www.tbtaonline.org/donate>

(REMINDER TO NOTE TEAM BOTTANKS #23979)

In-kind donations will be considered on a case-by-case basis

Tampa Bay Technology Alliance is a 501(c)3

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO OUR BOTTANKS, FTC TEAM #23979