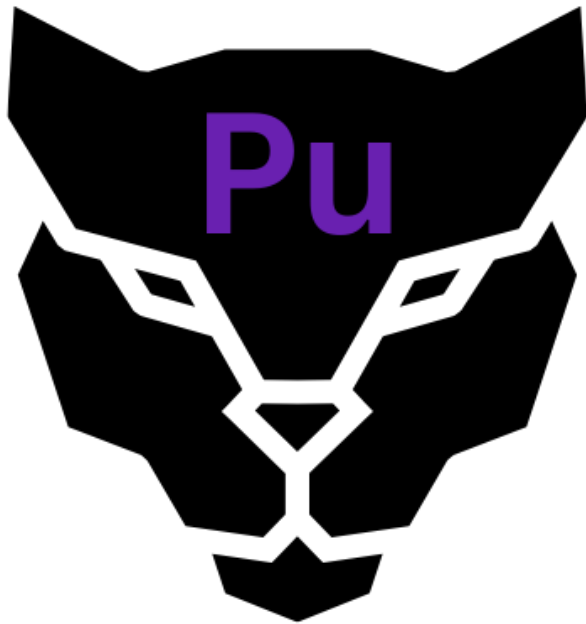


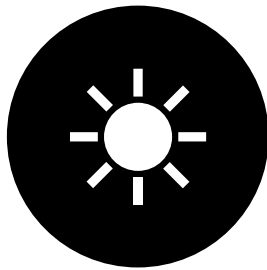
# Welcome to the Plutonium Panthers #10376



# Agenda: Key Sections to Discuss



TEAM  
EXPECTATIONS FOR  
MEMBERS



SEASON  
BREAKDOWN



COSTS TO JOIN



APPLICATION  
PROCESS

# Team Expectations



- ▶ Show up and be ready to work.
- ▶ Be flexible on your expectations. Not everyone can be a builder or driver we all must have our roles for success.
- ▶ Must show Gracious Professionalism. With all team members.
- ▶ This is like any other sports team at the school. You need to be at every meeting possible to help the team and be prepared for competitions.



# Team Expectations

- ▶ Students are expected to participate weekly during regularly scheduled team meeting times from August 2025- May 2026, 1 time a week in the fall and 2 times a week in the spring.
- ▶ If student misses more than 3 unexcused meetings, students will be placed on probation or removed from the team.
- ▶ The initial team fee is \$100. The deadline for the first \$50 is October 1, 2025. The deadline for the second \$50 is November 3, 2025.
- ▶ Students must follow all Richmond County expectations from the Student Code of Conduct.
- ▶ Safety is of the utmost importance to all of us. We expect every student, mentor, and volunteer to follow the requirements while in the build space, operating machinery, attending events, etc. We also expect that anyone displaying symptoms of illness consider others before attending meetings.
- ▶ As build space time is precious, use of personal electronics is allowed for contact with guardians or researching FRC related topics. Any other activity is strictly prohibited and will warrant immediate removal from the build space.



# Team Expectations



- ▶ Team members may be required to spend some personal time outside of team meetings doing the learning on their own.
- ▶ Team members must maintain an A/B average in all classes. Coaches will be doing a weekly check with grades. Any students with lower than A/B average will be on probation if grades do not improve after 2 weeks you will be removed from team.
- ▶ Students who receive an office referral will be put on probation and any further punishments you will be expelled from the team
- ▶ Competitions are Thursday-Saturday and, students must be able to attend all competitions.
- ▶ Students must participate in outreach activities after school and/or on Saturdays.
- ▶ Students must participate in fund raising activities.
- ▶ If you are expelled from the team all payments are final and will not be refunded to the student or parent/guardian.

# Season Breakdown



- ▶ Pre Season- We will be meeting once a week from September-December to work on team building, training, fund raising, and community outreach.
- ▶ Kick Off Event- Held in early January. This reveals the competition for the year, and we get our Kit of Parts. This is held in Atlanta at Georgia Tech. Team members can attend but a parent will be required to bring them to the event.
- ▶ Build Season- The Build Season lasts around 6 weeks from January to late February where we build, program and test the robot before competition.
- ▶ Competitions- We will compete in a minimum of 2 qualifying competitions during the season with hopes of making the District championship in April. We don't know the exact dates of the competitions yet, but I will inform everyone when it is available.

# Costs to Join

- ▶ Each students will be required to pay \$100 to join the team to help with team expenditures such as
  - ▶ Parts for the Robot
  - ▶ Hotel Fees
  - ▶ Food on Trips



# Fundraisers



- ▶ There will be fundraisers to help cover some of these costs in hopes of not having to pay much more throughout the season.
- ▶ Fundraisers planned as of now
  - ▶ 3D print sales at school
  - ▶ Kona Ice at Steam Expo
  - ▶ Any other recommendations are welcome



# Sponsors and Cost to Register

- ▶ Every year to register your team for FRC costs \$6,300
- ▶ This pays for the base robot kit and 2 qualifying competitions.
- ▶ As of now we have 2 major sponsors for our team.
- ▶ They are John Deere and the Department of Defense.
- ▶ They will pay the majority of our registration fees for the year.
- ▶ If we make the District Championship it is another \$1,000 to register for that.



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# Application Process



- ▶ Everyone will receive an application for admittance to the team.
- ▶ You will need to fill out the application which includes
  - ▶ Basic Information
  - ▶ A Student Essay
  - ▶ A Teacher Recommendation
  - ▶ Student Interview