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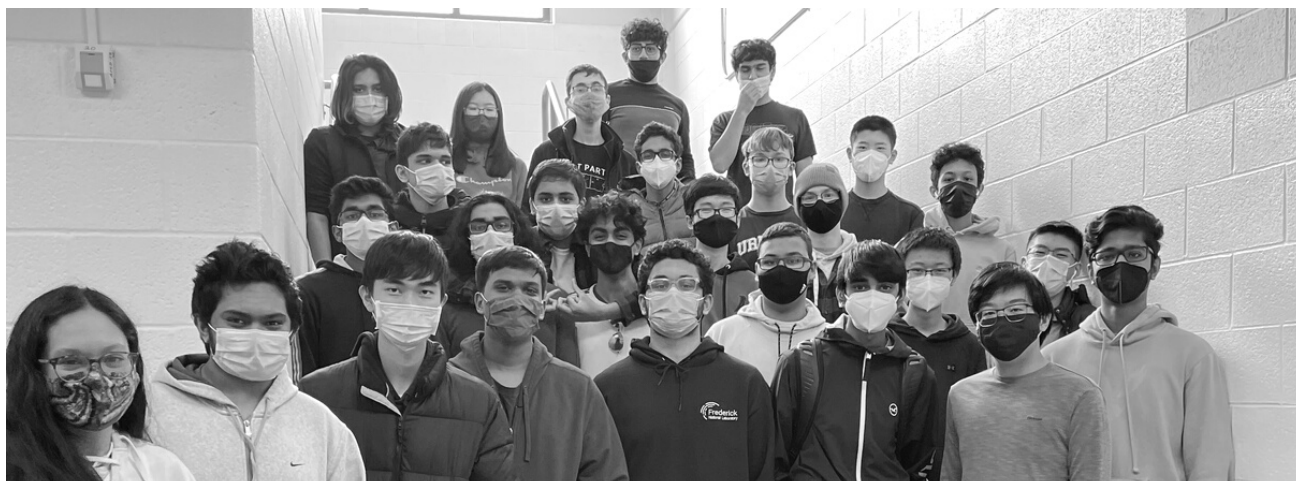
DEVEN PATEL

The 2022 FRC season is well underway, with the main building portion done. As we begin to get into the actual competitions we'd like to acknowledge all the hard work, commitment, dedication, and love the robot was made with. Over the last couple weeks, members committed 12+ hours each a week, working around the clock to ensure that it would be game ready, to proudly represent Urbana High School at our first FRC competition as a team.



FINAL TOUCHES

As the build portion of the season is set to be over on Tuesday Feb. 22, 2022 (or as we call it, 2sday), the only thing really left for the team is to finalize the programming, make sure all the parts are functioning well together, and putting the final cosmetic touches on it (because nobody wants to see a bunch of wood and wiring). Hoping to be done by Tuesday afternoon, we are hosting an open house to demonstrate the robot and what it does in the Auxiliary Gym on Thursday, February 24, 2022, from 2:30 PM to 5:30 PM. Students, Staff, and Parents are invited to come watch us test and show off the robot, and what actual competitions might look like.



HOW TO WATCH US AT COMPETITIONS

As previously stated, we are competing in two events, the CHS District Greater DC Event #2 Day 1 on March 12, 2022, and the CHS District Greater DC Event #3 Day 2 on March 23, 2022. Competitions will be streamed directly from the FIRST Official Twitch channel, which can be located at <https://www.twitch.tv/firstinspires>. We will also be posting team related photos and information on our Instagram.

SPONSORSHIPS

Onto a more serious note, being part of the club is a very educational and interactive experience, teaching you new things and opening new opportunities to the world of STEM and Engineering. This, however, is very costly in terms of funding and building the robot, and entering the team into competitions. Considering this is our inaugural year, we had some previous connections in terms of sponsors and grants. However, as students graduate or shift interests, those opportunities close, and we are back in the hunt for more sponsors. Without sponsorship money, we cannot compete or even create the robot that will compete in the events, and therefore would not be able to compete in future competitions.

If you, or someone you know has contacts to a company that is willing to sponsor us, please feel free to contact Mr. Holmes at joshua.holmes@fcps.org. We also have a sponsorship letter that you can look at, which breaks down the perks and reasons of being a sponsor of the Cryptohawks, which can be found [here](#) and [here](#)



TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Team Cryptohawks consists of 36 members, and 3 mentors, those being Mr. Holmes, Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Lillibridge. We have all been working non-stop for the last couple weeks, ensuring that everyone is involved in some way, making sure that everyone is putting their best selves forward. We hope this will inspire more of you guys to join us, and to proudly represent Urbana in the future!

