# Welcome Back!

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#### What is FRC

- FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC)
  - Organized by FIRST
    - Nonprofit organization aimed at advancing STEM education
- Build a Robot for Game
  - Game Changes Yearly
- Compete with Other Teams
  - o 3 v 3
  - Chesapeake Region
- 2 Competitions Yearly
  - Offseasons
- Starts in January and Ends in March/April

#### Who is 5549

- George C. Marshall Robotics Club
  - Don't call us that
  - Not really a club associated with the school
  - We use school facilities and share teachers/students and...that's it
  - No funding or support
- FRC Centered
  - Year Round
- "5549"
  - Pronunciation
  - FRC Number Designation

### Why 5549

- One of Marshall's largest activities
- Build cool robot
- Learn a lot
  - You'll learn more in this club than others
- Dedicated members
- Intelligent People
- Get you through the day

### Why Programming

- Adds functionality to robot
- Can't have a robot without mechanical
- Hunk of metal without electrical
- Robot with drivetrain without programming
- Ease of use for driver
- Outperform other teams
- Easiest way to improve a robot
  - Driver training
  - Programming to help driver

### **Updates**

- Virtual
- Smaller In-Person Meetings (Future)
- No full team meetings
- Creative ways to do robotics
  - Without
    - Cost
    - Large Meetings
- Switch to Java
  - RobotPy Third Party
    - Less Documentation
    - Harder to Find Resources
    - Deal-breaker as student-run team

#### Curriculum

- Basics
  - Print Statements
  - Reading Input
  - Variables
  - Calculating Numbers
  - Conditional Statements
  - Loops
  - Lists
  - Errors
- Object Oriented Programming
  - Classes
  - Methods

#### FRC

- Command-Based Programming
- File Layout
- o Git
- o PID
- Hands On Learning
- Mock Game / Robot

### Items Needed

- Computer
  - Personal Preferred
  - Can use School
    - Repl.it
- Java
- Discord
- IDE
  - Visual Studio Code
  - o IntelliJ
  - Atom
  - Repl.it
  - o <del>Vim</del>

# Questions

# Ideas

# Invite People!