**2019 Nelson Team Grant Application for Additional Team**

**Nelson Team Grants** seek to enable Title I and STEM-focused elementary and middle schools (grades 4-8) in the Los Angeles area (especially LAUSD) to start robotics teams to participate in the VEX IQ Challenge. Only schools that have not previously registered VEX IQ Challenge teams are eligible. Our goal is to motivate students to pursue STEM degrees and careers. We provide schools with the resources needed to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers.

**Additional-Team Award**

For 2019 and 2020, Nelson Team Grants is combining resources with the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation (REC Foundation) to start 2-4 new leagues and two teams at each of 34-58 new participating schools each year. Schools that received a Nelson Team Grant in 2015-2018only received funding to start one team. This award will help these schools start one more team than they registered in 2018.

**Additional-Team Award** recipients will receive the following VEX IQ equipment (total cost: $450 plus tax) plus the first-year team registration fee ($100) to start one additional VEX IQ Challenge team:

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| **#** | **Items for Additional-Team Award** | **Nelson Team Grant** |
| 1 | VEX IQ Challenge Team Registrations | $100 |
| 1 | VEX IQ Super Kit | $330 |
| 1 | VEX IQ Competition Add-on Kit | $100 |
| 1 | Extra VEX IQ Robot Battery | $20 |
|  | **Participating School Total** | **$550** |

Schools that receive **Additional-Team Awards** are required to register one more VEX IQ Challenge team in 2019 than they registered in 2018 and to register at least two teams each subsequent year. The school will be required to pay the team registration fees ($150 for the first team and $100 for each additional team; $100 paid by grant for one team in 2019) and to register those teams for and to attend an official event (typical fee $150 per team) each year. Schools that receive **Additional-Team Awards** should plan to spend $150 for the additional team the first year for event registration and $300 each subsequent year for team registration ($100), event registration ($150), and additional robot parts ($50). The recommended team size is up to 12 students.

**2019 Nelson Team Grant Process for Additional Teams**

* School submits **Nelson Team Grant** **Application for Additional Team**.
* LeRoy Nelson notifies school of decision.
* LeRoy sends [instructions to register team](http://link.roboticseducation.org/vrcteams_teamresources_registrationinstructionsfornewteams)(s) to approved schools.
* School registers and pays the registration fees for the same number of teams that were registered in 2018.
* School registers one additional team in 2019.
* School forwards team registration order confirmation for the additional team to LeRoy.
* LeRoy pays the team registration fee for the additional team.
* LeRoy orders VEX IQ robot equipment for additional team
* LeRoy sends school shipping confirmations.
* School registers teams for at least one official event (league or tournament).
* School forwards event registration order confirmation(s) to LeRoy.
* Team(s) attend(s) event(s).
* Top teams qualify for State Championships, U.S. Open Championship, and/or VEX World Championship.

Note: This page does not need to be scanned and submitted with your application.

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**Nelson Team Grant Agreement**

If my school receives a Nelson Team Grant, I understand that my school will have use of the provided robotics equipment for as long as my team fulfills the conditions listed below. A new VEX IQ Challenge season starts after the VEX Robotics World Championships at the end of April each year.

* The coaches/mentors and administration at my school support creating a sustainable VEX IQ Challenge program.
* The robotics equipment will be stored in a safe, clean location.
* The robotics equipment will be used for official VEX IQ Challenge events or activities each season.
* My team will complete and pay team registration each season (paid by the grant the first year).
* My team will complete and pay event registration and will attend at least one official event each season.
* My team will participate in post-season surveys to assure that the above conditions have been fulfilled.

In the future, if my team no longer fulfills the conditions listed above, I will return the robotics equipment so that it can be made available to another school.

My school received a Nelson Team Grant to start one VEX IQ Challenge team in 2015, 2016, 2017 or 2018.

My school will register one more VEX IQ Challenge team in 2019 than it registered in 2018, and it will register at least two VEX IQ Challenge teams in each subsequent year.

Note: This application should be signed by a school administrator, preferably by the Principal.

Signature:

Printed Name:

Title: Date:

School:

E-mail:

Phone: Local District:

Please scan and email this completed page to [LeRoy@LARobotics.org](mailto:LeRoy@LARobotics.org) by **Thursday, October 31, 2019**.

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