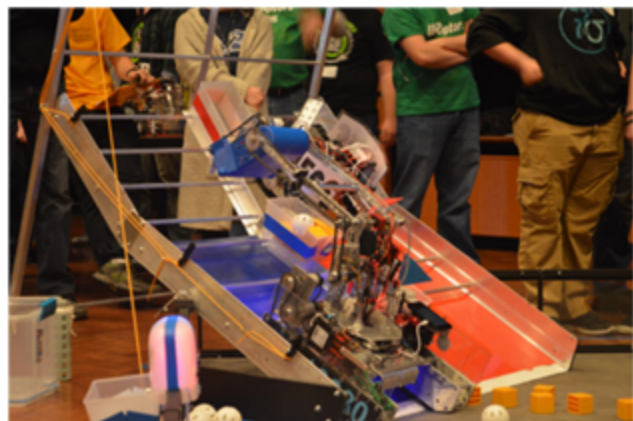


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## FIRST team 10030, 7 Sigma Wins Ohio State Tournament, Advances to Iowa Super Regional.

FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge team 10030, 7 Sigma Robotics, competed against 31 other regional teams Saturday at iSPACE in Cincinnati, Ohio in the FIRST Tech Challenge Ohio Championship winning first place in the event as the Team Captain of the winning alliance. This win allows the team to advance to the 14 State North Super Regional competition which will be held March 17-19 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The Super Regional is an invitational event consisting of 72 teams from 14 states who have all advanced through their respective state championships. 7 Sigma Robotics is a newly formed team this season (7sigmarobotics@gmail.com). A first place finish at the Ohio State Competition is quite an achievement for any team, but is especially impressive for a team in its first year in existence. The team is comprised of middle and high school students from the Greater Cincinnati area with 5 students residing in Anderson Township and 1 in Westchester. They are students at the following schools: Forest Hills Turpin High School-Austin Motz (9th Grade), John Mays (9th Grade) Forest Hills Nagel Middle School-Andrew Motz (8th Grade), Eric Lindquist (8th Grade) Lakota West High School-Eric Ambrus (12th Grade) Seven Hills School-Nick Norton (8th Grade) Pictured from left: Eric Ambrus, Eric Lindquist, Team 10030 7 Sigma Robot in competition. Nick Norton, Austin Motz, Andrew Motz, John Mays About FIRST-FIRST was founded in 1989 to inspire young people's interest and participation in science and technology. Based in Manchester, NH, the 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit public charity designs accessible, innovative programs that motivate young people to pursue education and career opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and math, while building self confidence, knowledge, and life skills. More information about FIRST Robotics can be found at [www.usfirst.org](http://www.usfirst.org) About iSPACE – iSPACE, the STEM Learning Place, a non-profit organization, serving the Greater Cincinnati Region, makes learning exciting by providing engaging Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs to schools, families, and the community. Participants explore robotics, rocketry, and more. They engage in active, hands-on problem solving and team-based projects, building the skills and confidence they'll need in their future and as they join our region's workforce with careers in manufacturing, technology, research, health care, etc. iSPACE makes an impact in over 500 classrooms yearly. iSPACE programs are aligned with national and state educational standards and complement classroom curriculum. More information about iSPACE can be found at [www.ispace-science.org](http://www.ispace-science.org)



Pictured from left: Eric Ambrus, Eric Lindquist, Nick Norton, Austin Motz, Andrew Motz, John Mays