**Become Involved**

Teachers and schools interested in participating in War Eagle BEST should contact Kristen Bond at 334-844-5769 or by e-mail at [kristen.bond@auburn.edu](mailto:kristen.bond@auburn.edu)

**What are the basic team expectations?**

* Teams should attend all three components of the BEST Program
  + Kick-Off Day (August 24, 2016)
  + Mall Day (September 25, 2016)
  + Game Day (October 8, 2016)
* Teams may choose to participate in one of the following:
  + Robotics Only
    - **Must** build a functional robot
    - **Must** submit a Project Engineering Notebook
  + Robotics and the BEST Award
    - **Must** build a functional robot
    - **Must** compete in ALL four components of the BEST Award: Project Engineering Notebook, Marketing Presentation, Team Exhibit and Interview, and Spirit & Sportsmanship

**What resources will War Eagle BEST provide? What materials do we need?**

* Participation in War Eagle BEST is free.
* Each team will receive a returnables kit (internal components of the robot) that must returned to Auburn University at the conclusion of the event
* Each team will receive a consumables kit (raw materials to build the robot) that teams may “use up” when building
* Teams will need to provide their own materials for the BEST Award
* Teams may need to purchase additional consumables to replace those materials that are “used up” during prototyping

**How to form a team:**

* Teams must be affiliated with a public, private, or homeschool group.
* Teams must have a lead teacher of record
* Teams must be composed of middle and/or high school students
* Teams participating in the BEST Award component of the competition must have a minimum of four team members

**Priority for Participation in War Eagle BEST:**

Our hub is limited to twenty-five teams.

* First priority is given to teams that participated in the previous season
* Next priority is given to teams located in one of the following Alabama counties: Autauga, Bullock, Chambers, Coosa, Crenshaw, Elmore, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Montgomery, Russell, and Tallapoosa.
* Schools in West Georgia will be invited to participate if space is available