

Portage, IN Robotics**Turning Point Nationals****April 4-6, 2019 CREATE US Robotics Nationals****Mid-America Center, 1 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, IA****HS Division - 2567 A & E****Open Division C2800 A & K****\$100 Student Travel Fee is Money is due Tuesday, April 2nd. Checks Payable to "Robotics Booster Club".**

Wed 4/3: 2:40 PM Open Lab. Pack Up Robots and Competition Equipment
 4:00 PM Pack Up SPV behind PHS West. Field Trip Forms signed by teachers are due!

Thur 4/4: 4:45 AM Meet at PHSW. Park at tennis courts. Depart for Council Bluffs, IA @ 5:00 AM
 8 hr. ride Stop for fuel, food and restroom/stretch breaks.
 2:30 PM Arrive at Mid America Center, register, set up pits, inspections
 3:30 PM Skills Challenges begin (3 attempts at Driver and Programming)
 5:30 PM Interviews in Pits, Skills Challenges
 8:30 PM Skills Challenges Close. Pack Up. Go to Hotel.
 9:00 PM Check in at Hotel for evening

Fri 4/5: 7:45 AM Arrive at Convention Center, Pits open, driver and coaches meetings following.
 8:15 AM Opening Ceremony
 8:45 AM Qualifying Rounds
 12:30 PM Lunch
 1:30 PM Qualifying Rounds & Interviews Round 2. Judges Invitation Passed Out.
 6:00 PM Team Celebration
 9:00 PM Back at Hotel for evening

Sat 4/6: 7:45 AM Arrive at Convention Center, Pits open
 8:00 AM Qualifying Rounds,
 12:15 PM Skills Challenge Finals-Top 5 teams
 12:30 PM Alliance Selections
 12:55 PM Lunch
 1:50 PM Elimination Rounds
 4:30 PM Finals
 5:30 PM Closing Ceremony. Back at Hotel

Sun 4/7: 6:00 AM Depart for Home
 8 hr ride Stops for fuel, food and restroom/stretch breaks.
 3:30 PM ETA Portage HS

Lodging: Country Inn & Suites – 17 Arena Way, Council Bluffs IA 51501 (712)322-8282

Rooms Assignments: Guys stay out of Girls rooms and vice-versa. All: Stay out of other team's rooms.

- 1.) Coaches Kappes, Coach Kerr
- 2.) Coach Kirk, Coach Hruskocy
- 3.) Mireina Keith, Payton Bailey, Sara Mitchell
- 4.) Kelly Schafer, Kassandra Garay, Sanja Kirova
- 5.) Grant Kappes, Ilija Kirov, Sam Meyer
- 6.) Connor Edwards, Scott Watson, Myles Kappes
- 7.) Jared Walczak, Jace Thomas, Zander Gomolinski
- 8.) Declan McKee, Jeremiah Nelson, Danny Shelton, Jeromie Disser

Meals: Breakfast Provided in Hotel
 Lunch on own at Convention Center (Bring \$15 per day, or \$60.)
 Dinners provided each evening.

Packing: Pack plenty of comfy travel and overnight apparel. Sweatshirt if you have one.
Bring toiletries necessary for 4 days. (No access to laundry machines)
School work! Travel pillows, Snacks, Phones, Games/Cards
Thurs: Black T-Shirt, Comfy Pants (See Coach if you do not have a black shirt.)
Fri: Red T-Shirts, Jeans
Sat: Red Polo's, Khakis

Equipment: We will have Pits in separate halls and will require double equipment/tool sets; HS & Open
You know how to pack for tournaments and the unexpected. Please double check.

Conduct: All behaviors must be in line with our goals... Excellent! Otherwise, you're going home.

911 Forms: Insurance Provider and Policy numbers. Emergency Contacts. List of Medications.
Turned in to Coach Kappes before getting on bus!

Focus and Goals for the Competition:

2 Main Competitions: Tournament and Skills. Be prepared and rehearsed for all!
Pits are Display/Presentation Areas. They must be organized and clean at ALL times.
Must Double check all Double Check bots and batteries before each round.
Understand your Re-offs. Make sure they work. Help is available at inspection.
Scout your opponents! Prepare offensive and defensive strategies. Score quickly and efficiently. Be resilient!
Have fun seeing what we can do against the best the United States (and China) has to offer!

Directions to Mid America Center: 1 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, IA 51501

I-80 W to S 24th St in Council Bluffs. Take exit 1B from I-80 W, 7 h 1 min (482 mi)

1. Keep left to stay on I-80 W (Toll road)
2. Keep right at the fork to stay on I-80 W, follow signs for Iowa
3. Keep left at the fork to stay on I-80 W (Partial toll road) 145 mi
4. Take the exit to stay on I-80 W toward Davenport (Entering Iowa) 179 mi
5. Use the left lane to take exit 137A to merge onto I-235 W toward Des Moines, 10.0 mi
6. Keep left to stay on I-235 W, 4.6 mi
7. Merge onto I-80 W
8. Keep left to stay on I-80 W, 93.8 mi
9. Keep left at the fork to stay on I-80 W, follow signs for Council Bluffs/Omaha Neb, 25.7 mi
Take exit 1B for South 24th Street toward Council Bluffs
10. Take Mid America Dr to Arena Way

Contact Numbers:

Coach Kappes cell: (219)805-3576 Coach Kirk Cell: (973)897-6789 Coach Hruskocy: (219)951-8650

Tournament Website:

<http://www.create-found.org/RoboticChampionship.php>

CREATE Open Division Website (C2800A,K):

<https://www.robotevents.com/robot-competitions/create-foundation/RE-CREATE-18-6748.html>

VEX HS Division Website (2567A,E):

<https://www.robotevents.com/robot-competitions/vex-robotics-competition/RE-VRC-18-5190.html>