## **Community "Investors"**

Wish to adopt your own robot? Or, become the primary Program Sponsor? Do our Core Values align to yours? "Investors" are community stakeholders who share in our mission and make large financial contributions to support the program. Among the tangible benefits for Investors is their visibility of their Brand at local, state, national and world levels. The Investor's logo, will be prominently featured on all promotional items including shirts, banners, websites, social media, and best of all, the robots. The greatest benefit, however, may be providing kids with the opportunity to develop their talents and showcase their abilities by ensuring they have the necessary resources and opportunities to succeed. And, one day, these kids will give back to their communities. Robot Adoption is \$500. To be the Program





Sponsor, please contact us to discuss details.







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## The VEX Advantage

VEX is the world's #1 educational robotics platform and is host to the world's largest robotics competition. VEX is also the STEM partner for the nation's leading pre-engineering K-12 curriculum, Project Lead the Way. Portage Schools boast a robust PLTW and robotics pathways. And, partnerships are vital to providing kids the expensive VEX robotics resources and the endless opportunities they provide.





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### **Portage Indiana Robotics**







## **Partnership Opportunities**







Join A Winning Team!

## **About Portage Robotics**

Portage Community Robotics is a competitive, vouth organization comprised of Northwest, IN students, grades 7 through 12. The team works year round to collaborate, design, and fabricate a solution to the VEX World Robotics Challenge and competes in local, State, National and World level tournaments. Student solutions undergo the rigors of competition and scrutiny from panel of engineering judges. The process is highly transformative and our kids develop real-world, life skills.

Portage Robotics has enjoyed the highest level of success winning State and National Titles. Dedicating numerous hours to promote STEM in their community and mentor youths, The Porta-Botz! were recently recognized at the World Championships with the "World Community Award", given "Keys to the City" from the Mayor and were Grand Marshals for the city's 4th of July Parade.

Building strong community relationships is just as important as fundraising. Being a self-funded program with a \$30K budget, last year's kids raised over \$25K from efforts in the community to offset operational costs. And, those funds create many opportunities and lasting memories for kids. In addition, our Robotics and STEM initiative has opened up post-secondary college, career, and scholarship opportunities for graduates.



#### **WE WANT YOU!**

Are you looking for an opportunity to partner with our community's young problem solvers? Join the award-winning Porta-Botz! as a Sponsor, Mentor, or Investor. Partners assist the program in reaching financial goals and in return receive national recognition for contributions with their name and logo featured on:

- ⇒ Team T-shirts
- Traveling Banners
- Portage Robotics Facebook Page
- PortageRobotics.com team website
- ⇒ A Competition Robot





# "Sponsor" a Student

"Sponsors" are individuals or businesses who wish to show their support for our students with small monetary donations. These funds are vital to the daily operations and help defray the program cost of \$500 per student. Such generosity finances: Team fees, Travel, Meals, Lodging, Apparel, and Equipment. There are 4 Levels of Sponsorship:

⇒ Tournament, \$25  $\Rightarrow$  State, \$50

National, \$75 ⇒ World, \$100

Sponsorship donation checks may be made out to: "Portage High School Robotics". (All donors receive a tax receipt.)

Portage Community Robotics "Changing Lives, One Robot at a Time"

#### Become a "Mentor"

Perhaps the greatest contribution individual partners may make is the gift of time.

"Mentors" are Industry, Career, Engineering, and University Professionals; People who share their expertise volunteering their time to get minds-on with students to guide them through real-world challenges. Being a role model to our community's future leaders and preparing them to compete on the World-stage is personally very rewarding.





#### Areas of Mentorship:

They include:

- Teamwork/Leadership
- Planning/Organization
- Communication/Documentation
- Fabrication/Mechanics
- Programming/Sensor Integration

#### STEM Skills for Life

Portage Robotics' core values include creating a culture of **Excellence** that engages and empowers its members to work successfully together towards a common goal. The process is transformative and the skills developed are transportable to many areas of life.

• Communication • Organization

Collaboration

Planning

Creativity

• Self Discipline

Problem Solving
Persistence

Confidence

• Time Management

Decisiveness

Sportsmanship

Innovation

Resiliency